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**WE ALL SCREAM...** Shannon Bittner leans out the window of Kawartha Dairy in Minden this week, as the iconic local business prepares for a summer onslaught of dairy-lovers.  
 Photo by Lisa Gervais.

## County gets funding for flood plain study

By Mark Arike

The County of Haliburton will be able to conduct a flood plain study for the Burnt and Gull rivers due to a successful grant application.

On May 2, the county tweeted it received \$179,290 from the National Disaster Mitigation Program for the first phase of the project. But a week later, planning

director Charlsey White said she wasn't at liberty to confirm the amount due to a request from the feds not to. However, she confirmed the county will contribute matching funds, bringing the grand total to about \$360,000.

"Council put our 50 per cent in the budget for this year," said White in an interview. "Our next step is to get working

on the LIDAR itself."

Short for Light Detection and Ranging, LIDAR uses lasers mounted on airplanes to generate an accurate 3D image of the topography of an area. The first phase will include acquisition of LIDAR for the entire project area and will survey and map the Gull River from the intersection of highways 118 and 35 in Carnarvon

south to the county line, near Elliott Falls. The second phase, which will require additional funding, will survey and map to the north and east the same intersection but go eastwards to Dysart and include the Burnt River into Highlands East.

It will cost about \$518,000 and the county will apply to the same program in

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## Planes to fly from Stanhope

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the county will need to pay for the other half.

A request for proposals will be issued soon and the goal is to finish the first phase this fall, White said.

"We're waiting for the lowest level of water, the least amount of tree cover and no snow."

The planes will be small enough that they can fly out of the Stanhope Airport, she said. They will be visible from the ground.

The Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is currently collecting aerial photos of the area through its South Central Ontario Orthophotography Project.

These images, in combination with LIDAR data, will help to implement flood mitigation techniques, said White.

She is thrilled the project is proceeding.

"I'm super excited. This is something that's really going to be great for land use planning, both at the county level and local level. We're going to end up with some accurate flood plain and area mapping."

The county partnered with the province on its mapping proposal and received an endorsement from Parks Canada.

In 2014, the federal government earmarked \$200 million over five years to "build safer and more resilient communities."

Investments are for communities where there is "significant, recurring flood risk and cost."

When contacted for comment on May 11, a spokesperson for Public Safety Canada responded on Monday to say they are working on answering the paper's questions.

No information was received before press time.



This aerial photo was taken by *The Highlander* during the peak of the 2017 flood in Minden. *File photo.*



### Drug raid in Algonquin Highlands

The OPP's Kawartha Lakes/Haliburton Highlands Community Street Crime Unit, the Central Region Emergency Response Team, Tactics and Rescue Unit and K9 unit raided a North Shore Road property May 9, charging three people with drug-related offences.

In a news release, police said they seized cocaine, methamphetamine, marijuana, a .22 calibre rifle and drug paraphernalia.

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They've charged Vern McPhail, 59, of Algonquin Highlands, Daryl Marchand, 33, of Dysart, and Mark Stephens, 20, of Ajax with two counts each of possession of a schedule I substance for the purpose of trafficking.

They were held for a bail hearing in Lindsay.

### OPP investigate ATV collision

On May 11, at 11:17 a.m., Haliburton Highlands OPP responded to a single motor vehicle collision, involving an ATV, on Mission Trail in Minden Hills. A 56-year-old male, from Dysart et al, sustained serious injuries and was airlifted to a Toronto area hospital. OPP Technical Traffic Collision Investigators (TTCI) attended the scene to assist with the on-going investigation.

### OPP gun amnesty results

A month-long gun amnesty program across the province saw Haliburton Highlands OPP collect four rifles, four

shotguns, one prohibited firearm and 10 other guns such as replica and vintage weapons. They also collected 51 pieces of ammunition. The program took place in April.

Police continue to encourage the public to turn in unwanted weapons despite the program ending. However, people have to make an appointment and said no one should ever deliver guns, ammunition or military ordinance directly to police facilities.

### Charges laid after school bus struck

On May 10, at 4:20 p.m., Kawartha Lakes OPP say they responded to a collision between a vehicle and empty school bus on Highway 35 in Coboconk.

Following an investigation, they say they charged the driver of the vehicle, 30-year-old Sarah Wood of Haliburton, with Driving a Motor Vehicle While Ability Impaired by Drug and Operate Unsafe Vehicle. They said the accused is scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Lindsay on June 14, 2018.

(OPP briefs compiled by Lisa Gervais)

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# Highlander news

## Minden mayor says more work to be done

By Lisa Gervais

Brent Devolin will seek re-election as mayor of Minden Hills when voters go to the polls Oct. 22.

He recently filed his paperwork, dispelling a rumour he was going to pursue a private business opportunity in Muskoka.

“Was I offered an opportunity in the last year in Muskoka? The answer is yes. That was some months ago,” Devolin told *The Highlander* last week.

However, he said he is happy to remain in Minden and wouldn’t want to go anywhere else with the exception of a few days here or there for work or holidays.

He said he started a job as mayor of Minden nearly four years ago and it’s a job he has not yet completed.

“When I set out to do this, there were some things we communicated that we wanted to do and the job’s not yet done,” he said in a May 11 interview.

“There’s lot of exciting stuff going on. There were a number of delegations at the Minden Hills committee of the whole

meeting May 10. So, in not quite four years, we’ve started some good work and a number of significant [things], such as economic development, downtown revitalization, the S.G. Nesbitt renewal ... and it’s not complete enough and I would love to continue the work if the public supports me in doing so.”

Under Devolin, the township has also built a new fire station on Highway 35.

He said he supports Councillor Lisa Schell running for deputy-mayor, a position that will be left vacant when long-time Councillor and current Deputy Mayor Cheryl Murdoch retires. He noted another long-standing councillor, Jeanne Anthon, is also not seeking re-election.

Of the current council, Councillor-at-large Ron Nesbitt, Ward 1 Councillor Jean Neville and Ward 2 Councillor Pam Sayne have all indicated they will run.

As of Wednesday, May 16 other contenders included: Clayton Cameron and Jennifer Hughey in Ward 1 and Russ Patrick Duhaime in Ward 3.



Minden Mayor Brent Devolin is seeking re-election. *File photo.*

## Housing, health care and Hydro NDP priorities

By Dan Bajorek

Zac Miller is a bright, new face running for the first time in Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, representing the New Democratic Party.

Miller is a student finishing up a degree in political science and hopes to obtain another degree in journalism once he completes his course at the University of Ontario Institute of Technology. He’s been a resident of Pontypool since he was five and says he wants to have a voice in a new direction for Ontario by protecting consumers first.

Miller is basing his platform on the 3 H’s: housing, health care and hydro for Haliburton voters. He says there are “185,000 people on the wait list for affordable housing in Ontario and 1,400 are in our voting area. There is a three to five-year wait list and this is simply not acceptable.”

The NDP is proposing building 65,000 new affordable units across the province by raising corporate tax rates by 13 per cent and imposing a speculator tax to curb soaring house prices. Miller says that nearly half of renters are spending 30 per

cent of their household income on housing and this is causing emotional hardship for families. “We do not want people squeezed out of their own homes due to financial constraints.”

Miller wants to increase funding for health care facilities by 23 per cent and add 2,000 new hospital beds in Ontario. As the population ages, Ontario will also need more long-term care beds for those unable to remain at home and the party is advocating for 45,000 long-term beds to meet that demand. Miller is saying there will be no layoffs to any health care workers. He further feels that people in Ontario will be willing to pay slightly higher taxes to obtain these goals. He subscribes to “universalism: everyone is entitled to equal care in our province.”

“Hydro is not a luxury and way too expensive for people in our area,” says Miller. He is proposing cutting rural rates by 30 per cent and lobbying the federal government to take away five per cent from the HST to help defray energy costs. Miller says Hydro is selling our excess energy to the United States to the tune of \$1.67 billion. He is proposing a plan that will take



NDP candidate Zac Miller. *Photo submitted.*

eight years to give back monies to public control but is realistic in that the NDP is not going to superficially lower your hydro bill. Miller feels that Hydro can lower the flat rate that consumers currently pay to a more reasonable level.

Miller is also aware of transportation issues in Haliburton County. He wants to invest in buses in rural communities and is proposing that the federal government

find capital that will fund half, while the province and federal politicians come together to work on a viable solution rather than trying to unload this problem on local municipalities. Too much focus goes on transportation issues in Toronto, says Miller.

He told *The Highlander* he’s planning to run a positive campaign that will help Haliburton voters make the right choice on June 7.

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## Wood heat pitch makes its way to Minden

By Lisa Gervais

Partners behind a wood heat project for Haliburton continue to make their municipal rounds—this time pitching their district energy system to the Township of Minden Hills.

The visit by Jamie Stephen of TorchLight Bioresources and Mike Rutter of Biothermic Renewable Energy Systems, May 10, came on the heels of a trip to Highlands East the previous week and a committed project with Dysart et al.

As Stephen explained, the partners, which also include Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve, want to submit grant requests to upper levels of government for a cluster of projects, not just the one for Haliburton village.

They had to get a cluster expression of interest to the Low Carbon Economy Fund as of this past Monday, May 14 and wanted to include Minden's support in principle, but with no obligation at this point.

While they got that, Minden Hills CAO and treasurer Lorrie Blanchard indicated the township will want more information before Stephen and company apply for a provincial Municipal GHG Challenge application on July 13.

"So, this has been relatively brief ... in terms of how this whole thing works," Blanchard said. "So, would you be coming back here with a bigger, more detailed

proposal?"

Stephen said they would return to talk to staff and councillors.

"We don't need a final design for the application, but we do need a rough idea ... the length of the lines," Stephen said.

The Minden plan to date is estimated to cost \$2 million to heat 25 buildings on one side of the Gull River only. It calls for a wood chip heater in the vicinity of the township office, connected to a boiler that would then pipe hot water to places on the township office side of the river.

Mayor Brent Devolin pointed out that one big difference between Haliburton and Minden is the fact the Gull River runs through it.

"I think in a perfect world, both sides of the river could be serviced with this," Devolin said, noting they're also about to tender for a refurbished S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena, which could benefit from the heating project.

Stephen said there are pipes that cross bridges. He said costs for piping run anywhere from \$700 to \$2,500 per metre so, "probably we would have two separate systems in all honesty."

He noted the two biggest users on the other side of the river would be the Minden Hospital and Archie Stouffer Elementary School, both of which are provincially-owned. He said that in P.E.I., the provincial government is a partner



Minden Hills CAO and treasurer Lorrie Blanchard listens to a presentation from Jamie Stephen of TorchLight Bioresources and Mike Rutter of Biothermic Renewable Energy Systems during a council meeting May 10 in Minden. *Photo by Lisa Gervais.*

in systems, but in Ontario they've so far opted to give out grants.

Coun. Jean Neville queried the global impact of the systems, noting it requires the use of trees and does produce emissions, but Stephen said "sustainability is critical to this ..."

Coun. Jeanne Anthon asked about odour. Stephen said there would be emissions but within Ministry of Environment and Climate Change regulations.

And, Coun. Pam Sayne, who heads the township's climate change action committee, said they were speaking her language but that there were other options, too, such as generating power from the Gull River.

"I think we need a really good community energy plan that would address the balances of the different options that we have here in Minden," she said.

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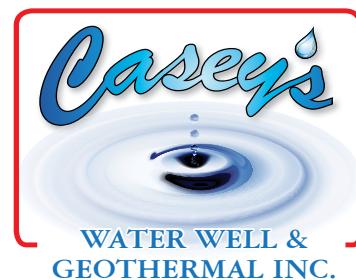
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## Welcome back ...

I was talking to a reader this week and he joked that Christmas comes to Haliburton County on the Victoria Day long weekend, not Dec. 25.

He called to chat about the lack of affordable housing and the cost of living. He said he empathized with those struggling to make ends meet here but said it wasn't about laying blame — such as pointing a finger at seasonal residents and accusing them of driving up housing and other costs.

He's right. After all, our seasonal residents are the economic engine of Haliburton County. If we didn't have them, our social woes would be far greater than they are and that is something none of us wants.

So, as we often do in our Victoria Day edition, we welcome back our seasonal residents and visitors because we do appreciate what they bring to the county. And, by that, I don't just mean money. Which isn't to say we don't appreciate the

millions of dollars that pour into the county during the summer months. However, we also appreciate renewing old acquaintances, seeing new faces and hearing new stories. It broadens our collective perspective without having to leave home. Because many of us full-time residents don't leave home in summer. We're far too busy working.

I was up in Sudbury last weekend and somewhat lamenting how my partner and I work a lot during the summer and how we can't get away for a holiday. But, my wise sister-in-law pointed out that when it comes to the distinct pleasure of living in Haliburton County, every day can be a holiday, as we are surrounded by beautiful places to play. People come from all over the world to explore Haliburton County and its immediate surrounds, she pointed out.

For those of us who live here full-time and are preparing for a busy season ahead, it is a timely reminder to take time out

to play in our own backyard. It means carving an hour out of each day to go for that walk, hike, bike ride or paddle. It is time to give ourselves the gift of fishing at sunset or joining family and friends for a float down the Gull River on the weekend. Take a day out and drive to Algonquin Provincial Park to recharge your batteries. And, jump in the lake. Okay, maybe not on the May 24 weekend. The ice is not long off some lakes. It's freezing. But take plenty of summer plunges. Eat ice cream and drink milkshakes. Watch lots of sunrises and sunsets.

It's been a long winter and we all need to remember why we come here every summer, or live here all year long. Welcome back cottagers and visitors and welcome back summer.



By Lisa Gervais

## Nerves of steel

Nerves are something everyone has. I don't mean the network of neurones inside your body, I mean the annoying part of your brain that has the power to turn you into a powerhouse or a puddle on the floor. As a cellist, I am always preparing for a performance ...or to be precise, always getting nervous about a performance.

Two weeks ago, I had an important music festival. I felt prepared and ready to play until my moment came. Then I was a mess. A sweaty, clammy, clumsy mess. It's like I forget how to function like a person and instead could only sit and stare into the crowd like a deer caught in the headlights. The moment never lasts forever but it will return with a vengeance the next time I step onto the stage.

What's with these nerves? Everyone gets stage fright I am told. And if they say they don't, they are lying. Paul McCarty, of the Beatles, almost quit numerous times from his crippling nerves.

Barbra Streisand uses a teleprompter so she doesn't ever again forget a line. And the lovely Adele in an interview with *Rolling Stone* magazine said, "I'm scared of audiences." But where does that leave

me?

Haliburton County is a mecca for musicians, actors, performers and speakers. I am lucky to be surrounded with great friends and performers who I can go to for advice on this matter. My friend and fellow cello player Wendy Evenden suggests addressing the nerves directly. "Oh, you're here today, okay." With that she feels she can deal with the shaky hand and anxiety a bit better by not fighting it.

Being goofy or saying something to get a laugh from the audience is another trick to help performers feel more at home under the bright lights. A few musicians I know have mentioned this strategy to me.

Brigitte Gall, an actor, producer, performer and writer who resides in Minden has been on a stage since the early 90's. With her start at Second City, to her show *Me, My House and I*, to her stand up performances, Gall is no rookie when it comes to nerves.

"Performing is exhausting. Your expenditure of energy, if you're really connecting with the audience, is intense. So, knowing how to preserve and generate the energy and focus needed is

as important as knowing your set or speech."

She uses what she calls, "the math of the day." Taking her start time and counting backwards to figure out the point of no return for eating without barfing or when to take that power nap. And then about an hour before her set, she would run (mumble) through the set as fast as she could, complete with arm and facial movements. "Sure, I looked like I was channeling the ghosts of mime's past - but I found that if I didn't have time to mumble through the set, I'd often forget bits that were links to another part of my material."

I have been trying to battle my nerves since I started playing in front of people and, spoiler alert, it's not working so far. Luckily, I am not alone and every great performer has to deal with these crazy butterflies. I just need to figure what my net looks like and how to wield it.



By Anabelle Craig

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Minden

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## Letters

### Government's carbon footprint?

Dear editor,

Our governments seem to feel the need to tax our carbon footprint. Yes, I believe global warming is happening, because of us, too many of us. At the current rate of population increase by 2030, the earth will no longer be able to support us. What I don't believe is that the majority of people really care about our carbon footprint. If they did, we would all be eating crickets instead of slaughtered animals from our inhumane factory farms. (Not sure about the crickets?) We would walk to the corner store instead of driving. We would trade in leaf blowers for rakes, and riding lawn mowers for push models. We wouldn't waste as much food, and energy as we do.

The government pushed CFL's to replace incandescent lamps, seemingly forgetting that for those of us with electric heat, one watt of light with the old bulbs was one watt of heat. Remember in the colder weather, the lights are on longer, and less in the warmer weather. So, as we decreased our consumption they put up the delivery charge to pay for the green energy which they set up with contracts paying out far more than it was worth. So,

now a lot of people I know are bringing in the wood stove they took out years ago or adding another so they can afford to have heat in the winter.

But the real carbon footprint has gone unnoticed. That is the consumer products which today are designed to terminate promptly on cue. The majority of today's manufactured products last less than one-quarter of the life of their predecessors. So what is the carbon footprint to make, ship and dispose of all these extra products. What irks the most is the 50-year-old freezer here that is still running, and the two-year-old one I bought to eventually replace it that quit.

In closing, did anyone ever consider the carbon footprint to raise the \$650,000 the Wynne Liberals blew for the Ontario Cannabis Corporation logo or the money the federal government has blown on the Phoenix Pay System? While our governments are taxing us to reduce our carbon footprint, we now hear they have known for 15 years that Canada's 15 oil refineries produce 62 per cent more sulphur dioxide than all 127 U.S. refineries, and done nothing.

Keith W. Stata  
Kinmount

### PHOTO OF THE WEEK



Ray Kidon recently took this photo of a hummingbird at his feeder on Little Bob Lake.  
Submitted photo

### TheOutsider

## Buck-toothed belly laughs

Scientists have long asked the question, do animals have emotions? Do they care for each other, love each other and in the case of pets, love us, the way that we feel and care for fellow human beings? I have seen documentaries in which elephants appear to grieve for their dead, and I've experienced times when my dog seems really happy to see me but never has it been proven to me. However, I believe that I now have the proof that has long eluded science. Animals are much more than the eating, sleeping, reproducing machines that we might believe, and I know this because by using logic and theoretical analysis I can state categorically that beavers have a sense of humour.

They do, really. The beavers in the pond down my road are howling with laughter

most days as I drive past. The culvert under the road is blocked, again, the road flooded, water four inches deep flows across from the pond into the marsh on the other side. And the beavers sit back and chuckle.

Now, I have never actually seen or heard a beaver laughing, possibly because their furry faces and large teeth pretty much hide what we would know as a grin, but under that shaggy beard they snicker because what else is there to do in the face of such pathetic efforts to stop them damming the culvert.

Even with the 'big guns', when the municipal workers bring an excavator with backhoe, they can't seem to keep the culvert clear for more than a day or so. They turn up, dressed in fluorescent

vests, which are obviously meant to alert the beaver to their presence and stop a stick wielding rodent accidentally taking out a human, such is the critter's vigour to rebuild after their dam is torn down.

And that's how quick it happens. The guys come along and unblock the culvert. They dig at the dam with shovels, picks and bars, or even scoop out vast swathes of sticks and mud with the excavator, until the water runs through. Then, they leave, never looking back to see the beavers swimming towards the culvert, the smirks on their faces hidden by sticks in mouths as they set to rebuilding the dam.

By the next morning it is as if the municipal crew had never visited. The culvert is blocked, the road is flooded. The beavers sit in their lodge and chuckle.

Then again, perhaps I am wrong. Oh, not about the beavers having a sense of humour thing, I'd put money on that. I mean that I could be wrong that beavers chuckle. I'm simply presuming that they do due to their little mouths and funny square faces. I imagine it's a little hohoho rather than a big fat wide-mouthed belly laugh, don't you?



**By Will Jones**

But then again, I could be wrong, and when I get my photograph of that laugh, be it big or small, I'll have my proof that animals certainly do have emotions. Elephants can mourn, dogs can be genuinely pleased to see you and beavers, well they just plain old enjoy taking the mickey out of us rural folks.

# Editorial opinion

## Why are Greens banned from TV debates?

Dear editor,

Are we ready for vigorous debate as we consider our voting options for the big day, Thursday, June 7, E-Day?

If you watched the first leaders' debate on City TV last Monday, May 7 you should be concerned. The Green Party leader Mike Schreiner was not there! Of course, Green Party support has long been suppressed since its founding in 1983, 35 years!

I am not a Green Party member and I have never voted for them but I can recognize blatant discrimination and obvious unfairness. We should all protest for the sake of healthy democracy.

We have the best chance to make good policies if all significant points of view are fairly represented in the Legislature of Ontario. We are very far from that goal now.

Strangely, the decision to shut out the Green leader was made by the big TV networks, the Broadcast Consortium so called. The Liberals and NDP seem to

accept that Mike Schreiner deserves to be there, so who else needs to get on board?

Well, the Conservatives, of course. We can expect them to oppose any change to the electoral system that would deprive them of the bonus in seats every front running party has enjoyed in all first-past-the-post elections.

Perhaps you will join me in signing the Green Party petition to allow Mike Schreiner to participate in future debates. It's a small contribution to good democracy but the most readily available.

Jim Milne  
Dysart

## Letters

in our community - we thank you for all you do and for helping make this world a kinder place.

To Phoenix's friends, the stories and pictures you have shared with us have put many smiles on our faces - and we thank you endlessly for being open and sharing both your grief and your memories with us during this difficult time. And to the families of Phoenix's friends, your friendship and support mean the world to us, so many of you are supporting your kids, grandkids, and the youth of Haliburton in remarkable ways.

Our grief will always be a part of us, we will certainly never forget Phoenix, so we will always feel that loss. Grief does not stop after a year or 10 years, but we do know in time it will soften to some degree. Our family continues to honour Phoenix's memory in many ways, and this year we started [thephoenixfoundation.ca](http://thephoenixfoundation.ca) in hopes of developing scholarships to encourage and support local youth as they plan their futures. If you have skills or opportunities to share with youth please go to our contribute page and let us know how you would like to be involved.

Thank you again to the community for the support you have offered both our family and the youth in the community through your efforts, from the Haliburton Junction Skate Park to the future youth hub, and for the many articles written in *The Echo* and *The Highlander* this year that have addressed youth bullying and the issues they are faced with. As Martin Luther King Jr says, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, what are you doing for others?" and we thank you for all that you do.

The Acero family  
Haliburton

## Government complicity through silence

Dear editor,

This is a message that I sent to the High Commissioner of South Africa in Ottawa Greetings,

Please accept my expression of gratitude for South Africa's decision to withdraw its ambassador from the apartheid state of Israel, following its cold-blooded massacre of hundreds of unarmed civilians in the territory of Gaza.

A decision at the national level to terminate official relations with a terrorist state is enormously heartening for those of us who must witness our own government's shameful complicity through silence and inaction in the commission of genocide.

Millions of people take South Africa as the model for a protracted popular struggle that eventually triumphed over an iniquitous regime.

On the personal level, your decisive repudiation of Israel has strengthened my resolve to promote BDS here in Canada.

Douglas Smith  
Minden Hills



**Mental Health Week:** Liam Bergman performs at the coffee house during mental health week activities at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School last week.

## A thank you to the community

Dear editor,

It's been a year since our family, and our community, lost Phoenix Acero, and we want to express our deepest gratitude for the support we have felt from so many of you. From the countless people who donated to the GoFundMe campaign, to our closest friends and family that came together and helped in every way they could in our deepest hours of mourning.

And to businesses over the year, such as Mathew Madelyn, Haliburton Dance Academy, and Visible Voices Open Arts Studio, who have been a tremendous support, not only to us but to many youths

# Highlander news

## A float down the Gull means business

By Lisa Gervais

When a 15-year-old girl named Barbara McCallum first floated down the Gull River in Minden, she found her happy place.

She wasn't the first ... and she certainly won't be the last ... as she and partner Rob Rutkowski hope to launch a tube rental and shuttle bus business, called Minden River Run.

Rutkowski pitched their plan at the May 10 Minden Hills council meeting.

"It's all about a fun, family experience," he said.

During his presentation, Rutkowski shared a story that his partner McCallum wrote. In it, she said her parents bought a cottage on Horseshoe Lake Road at the bottom of the rapids on Minden Lake in 1987. Her dad bought inner tubes and suggested she and her best friend go for a float.

"It was such an incredible experience, lazily floating and swimming, as the gentle current took us from the Rotary Park beach, right into downtown Minden. We laughed, we sang, we enjoyed every single moment along the way. We felt so free being surrounded by nature, and the sights and sounds of the small town," she wrote.

There were many trips that first summer and then it became a tradition during summer visits to the cottage. Her parents sold the cottage but she came back and rented accommodation with her family. However, she and Rutkowski bought a place in 2017. The family floated down the river, "and once again we laughed, we sang, we enjoyed every single moment along the way, it was a day that none of us will ever forget. Making memories in Minden is what my life is all about."

Rutkowski said they plan to operate the business from mid-June to mid-September.

"Our goal is to provide a safe, enjoyable river tubing experience for individuals and families alike, while reducing the flow of vehicular traffic into Rotary Park." He told councilors it will also bring business to the downtown.

People would board a bus in the municipal parking lot area to Rotary Park, where a tent or gazebo would be set up. They'd get information about the day's weather and water conditions. They would sign a waiver, read the rules, be issued a ride ticket and given a 53-inch Intex inflatable river tube, personal flotation device and a wristband as proof of purchase. Before putting in at one of two locations, a staff member with Smart Serve certification would ensure they hadn't been drinking or were carrying alcohol.

Rutkowski said the tubes have mesh bottoms so people can't fall through, come equipped with two handles, and can be connected for a group float. After their floats, the locals or visitors would be assisted as they got out at the government dock.

He said the shuttle would likely run every half hour between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on weekends.

He came to council to ask if the township would allow them to set up a pop-up tent close to the municipal buildings and another pop-up tent in the park, or rent out the gazebo to them in the back of Rotary Park. He asked for assistance in the cost of setting up, and operating the shuttle on a percentage basis, that the township assume the cost of setting up designated parking spaces and pay-per-use lockers so people



Floating down the Gull River in Minden is a tradition for many locals and visitors. *File photo.*

could store their valuables while they float.

A staff report, likely from parks and recreation and roads departments, that will also address liability issues, will come to a future meeting.

However, councillors seemed enthralled with the business plan.

Coun. Jeanne Anthon said the concept had been discussed for decades, with nothing done, so she appreciated Rutkowski coming

forward with such a detailed plan.

"This is fun," said Coun. Pam Sayne, who suggested councillors could float down together on opening day.

And while deathly afraid of the water, Coun. Jean Neville said, "I think this is really exciting and fits in with the revitalization of the downtown."

"Exciting stuff," added Mayor Brent Devolin.

## Committee looks for replacement as Minden's Lennard mural comes down

The mural by John Lennard, which graced the wall of the Organic Times Building in Minden, is gone.

It was taken down this past weekend, said a spokesman for the Minden Mural Committee.

"The mural had deteriorated quite a bit. The marine plywood on which it was painted had started to rot in places," committee member Jack Brezina said. "We tried some repairs a few years ago, but, as they say, the writing was on the wall. The committee decided it was time to take it down."

The mural was painted in 1998 by local

artist, Lennard. Working on his largest canvas ever and painting in the blazing spring sun, the artist crafted a historic scene depicting the early logging days in Minden. The 40 foot by 10 foot tall painting showed the felling of trees by broad axe, teams of horses drawing cut trees to the river, river drives through rapids and over dams and then along the Gull River through Minden. In the village sector, a collection of locals gather on the bridge to watch the logs floating by.

"For 20 years, the mural had served us well in reminding the community of its heritage," Brezina said. "The narrative

line told an interesting story from front to back and often visitors would follow the logging process as they viewed the work."

The mural was the first of several in the community. The others include the Sled Dog Derby scene high over main street on the front of the Heffer Building; the three pioneer portraits on the Post Office; and the whimsical outdoor recreation murals which wrap around the Boshkung Social building, the former Beer Store.

The mural committee is open to suggestions for the space that the Lennard painting occupied, Brezina said. The committee of two, Brezina and Claudio

Mestroni, would like to keep the tradition alive and invite artists who have an idea for that space to contact them to discuss it.

"It could be one or perhaps up to three separate paintings," Mestroni said. "We are open to innovative ideas. It would a great canvas for a montage of photographs or who knows what."

Anyone interested in submitting ideas that they could bring to fruition, should send a brief outline to the committee at kevker@sympatico.ca. (Submitted)

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## AH considers plan for volunteers

Algonquin Highlands (AH) received helpful information on overseeing volunteering in the form of a recent presentation to council by Jardine Lloyd Thomson Canada Inc. (JLT), an insurance brokerage that specializes in risk assessment.

JLT representative Robin McCleave advised council that all volunteering should be based on the number one priority of keeping everyone safe.

"Volunteers play a very important role in all communities and should be encouraged, but like any other risk it has to be managed," reported McCleave.

McCleave advised the volunteer should receive the same training given to AH staff who, as part of their job description, complete the same task, for example maintaining an outdoor rink. Vendors using horses for events such as wagon rides should show proof that their insurance allows them to take the animals off property and include AH on the policy as an additional insured

party.

She said the township should create a waiver that includes disclosure of any inherent risks in a volunteer activity.

Councillors asked numerous questions about topics such as potential variations in risk, for example whether a volunteer managing small amounts of cash should be required to undergo a vulnerable sector police check, as would a volunteer working directly with children.

"It's your decision, your assessment of risk," McCleave replied.

"That's that fine line ... we're still struggling with," said Mayor Carol Moffatt. "Because we want to make sure that everyone is safe not only in their volunteer roles, but [also] the township and its taxpayers are protected, and that people can still have fun without this onerous process that drives them away."

Council thanked McCleave for the presentation and acknowledged it for the record.

(AH briefs compiled by Lisa Harrison)

*Volunteers play a very important role in all communities...*

**Robin McCleave**

JLT

## MPP Laurie Scott reintroduces sexual assault training bill

MPP Laurie Scott's private member's bill to ensure judges and justices of the peace have sexual assault training has passed its second reading—again.

Although MPPs originally voted in favour of the bill, known as the Mandatory Sexual Assault Law Training for Judicial Officers Act, last November, Scott brought it forward again recently because of Premier Kathleen Wynne's decision to prorogue the Legislature.

"Ensuring that our judges are trained to handle sexual assault cases is a straightforward and important way that we can both protect survivors of sexual assault from being re-victimized and bring equality to the justice system," said Scott in a news release. "There is no reason that it shouldn't be the law of the land."

The bill was endorsed by the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario and clinical traumatologist Dr. Jacqui Linder. It has been referred to the standing committee and must be passed at a third reading to become law. (Mark Arike)



Laurie Scott, MPP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, is pushing for her private member's bill to become law. *File photo.*

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## Haliburton and Bancroft may ride bus together

By Mark Arike

County staff are looking into the possibility of partnering with Bancroft Community Transit (BCT) to enhance the area's future rural transportation system.

In March, BCT, a non-profit organization, informed Highlands East council it applied for a five-year, \$500,000 grant from the Ministry of Transportation. This would allow them to offer rides five days a week in the four townships they serve: Highlands East, Wollaston, Hastings Highlands and Bancroft.

The group currently utilizes a 16-passenger bus with a paid driver to transport Cardiff residents into Bancroft. Paid drivers and volunteers also use vans to take clients from Wilberforce, Harcourt and Cardiff to medical appointments in Bancroft, Peterborough and Belleville, to name a few locations.

BCT took over the service, previously known as TROUT, in August of last year.

The program receives gas tax funding from the province, in the amount of \$93,500 this year. Highlands East also donates \$10,000 annually.

But since the county is considering using gas tax funding for its system, Highlands East must decide if it will remove itself from Bancroft's calculations to join the county. If so, it will reduce the amount of funding BCT receives but have a positive impact on the amount the county gets. The

gas tax formula is based on a 70/30 split between ridership and population.

A decision is yet to be made by Highlands East council. In March, they asked BCT to provide information about its future plans to the county's transportation task force. County council decided it should be part of the conversation.

On May 9, Gwen Coish, BCT's operations director, made a presentation at a special council meeting. Afterwards, council recommended Charlsey White, the county's planning director, and the task force review the information and determine if there are any opportunities to partner with BCT to provide a joint service.

In an interview, Coish said they will need to talk about their service with Highlands East should the municipality opt out.

"We're willing to work together—we don't want the end user to lose," she said.

"Our whole goal in all of this is just to make sure that people get from point A to B."

Coish made it clear she wasn't seeking an endorsement from the county or Highlands East, and that the MTO grant application wouldn't have any impact on the county's ability to access gas tax funds for its project.

"It's a completely separate thing from the gas tax," she said.

Coish pointed out there are people in the Bancroft area who want to get to Haliburton. She said BCT didn't find out



This 16-passenger bus takes Cardiff residents to Bancroft once a week. With additional funding, the Bancroft Community Transit intends on increasing that to five days. [Facebook](#).

about the county's project until the start of this year.

County Coun. Brent Devolin, who also sits on the task force, said the task force will meet with BCT to discuss the possibilities.

"We have agreed to continue a conversation to look at the nuts and bolts of what they're proposing," said Devolin. "Obviously, we've got more than two years invested, and a process and a plan here."

"If there are synergies between their initiative and the one we'd have in Haliburton County, I'd work towards that," he added.

In June, White will present a report to county council with the results and recommendations on next steps.

The county has allocated \$50,000 in its budget to hire a consultant to develop a detailed transportation implementation plan. A request for proposal was issued mid-April with a closing date of May 18. The county is pursuing a booked shared ride model pegged at \$192,000 annually. It would operate five days a week.

In January, council opted to pursue gas tax funding instead of applying for an MTO grant.

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Heat Bank coordinator Tina Jackson tells council a clerical error resulted in her asking for council's support once again. *Photo by Mark Arike*

## Heat bank gets new deal

Highlands East council has once again endorsed Heat Bank Haliburton County's efforts to obtain an additional \$15,000 in government funding to help its clients.

In December, council supported the organization's request to go after federal money. The breakdown includes \$10,000 to distribute heat and hydro grants, \$3,000 for transportation subsidies and \$2,300 to buy a wood splitter. Coordinator Tina Jackson returned to the municipality to ask for their support again, due to a "clerical error" made in an agreement by the United Way. It originally indicated the money needed to be spent by the end of March 2018 but was supposed to be March 31, 2019.

Heat Bank is a program of the Central Food Network (CFN), an organization that oversees the food bank in Highlands East. The CFN partnered with the municipality to receive federal funding between 2016 and March 2019.

Heat Bank provides assistance to residents who are "facing a heat or hydro-related crisis." In the last year, they supported 248 people, including 84 children and 53 seniors. (Mark Arike)

## Highlands East considers Earth-friendly burials

By Mark Arike

Highlands East is considering becoming one of the few municipalities in Ontario to offer "green" burials.

Monique Sheehan and Brittany Pederson, two Trent University students, recently completed a research project on the subject as part of their program through U-Links and the municipality.

They gathered information on Deer Lake Cemetery, South Wilberforce Cemetery and Essonville Cemetery, and investigated "environmentally-friendly and responsible methods of burial," according to their presentation.

A green burial is described as "a way of caring for the dead with minimal environmental impact that aids in the conservation of natural resources, reduction of carbon emissions, protection of worker health, and the restoration and/or preservation of habitat," according to the Green Burial Council.

There are three levels of green burials: hybrid, natural and conservation.

A natural burial ground, for example,

prohibits outer burial containers, embalming and containers from being made of anything other than natural or plant-derived materials.

Natural burial grounds must also be pesticide-free.

The average cost of a green burial is \$1,500-2,500 versus \$7-10,000 for a traditional burial, according to the students' findings.

Seven cemeteries in Ontario currently permit green burials, CBC News recently reported.

"We could lead the pack, in green burials, if we take their suggestions," clerk Robyn Rogers recently told council.

Sheehan and Pederson recommended the municipality become a certified provider of green burials through the Green Burial Council and educate the public about its benefits.

They presented their findings to the environment committee.

Its members will review the information and make recommendations to council.

To learn more about green burials, visit [greenburialcouncil.org/home/what-is-green-burial](http://greenburialcouncil.org/home/what-is-green-burial).

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### Potable Water

While lakes and rivers are plentiful here, filtration and sterilization are often required before you can drink the water. Wells are another source; they too must be free of contaminants – and approved

with the proper permits. If you expect to have drinking water, make sure a test is included as a condition in your offer.

### Survey

A survey will show the exact boundaries of the property and often the location of every structure on it. It's useful for ensuring all by-laws have been followed and to confirm that you're buying what you think you're buying. Most sellers will not agree to a new survey. Your Realtor or lawyer can tell you, based on the characteristics of the specific property, if a survey is something you should insist on. Title insurance protects you to some extent, but it can't do things like give you the water access you thought you owned but don't.

### Zoning

Find out how the property is zoned before you make an offer. You'll want to check what activities are permitted – not all properties are zoned for year-round occupation, for example – and if you'll

be allowed to do what you plan. Zoning covers home offices, keeping animals, building height, house size and dozens of other activities and attributes. You may also want to check the zoning of next door properties to ensure there won't be surprises.

### Return Visits & Final Check

It's common for people to want to visit the property again before the deal closes, to take measurements or just to enjoy the anticipation. If you intend to do that, it needs to be in your offer. I usually advise that one of these visits be on the day of or before closing, so you can ensure everything is how it should be.

### Mortgages

It's usually more difficult to get a mortgage on a second home, for a variety of reasons, and mortgage qualification rules have become much tighter. Do not assume you can get money quickly. If you want the power of being a cash buyer, get pre-approved, and even then

a financing clause is still a good idea in case the bank has issues with the property you want to purchase.

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### Septic Systems

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# Highlander news



Kids play ball hockey during Hometown Hockey last fall. *File photo.*

## Old skate park to become ball hockey rink

By Mark Arike

A Dysart councillor with an affinity for Canada's game wants to see kids playing ball hockey in Haliburton.

"I know it would be a great thing for the summer for the kids," Walt McKechnie, the former NHLer, recently told council. "If we're going to do it, let's not wait another year. It might not cost that much money."

The ball hockey rink would be installed

at the current skate park property on Maple Avenue, near the library, once the new park is ready. It's being built on the former ball diamond by the arena in town.

In recent months, councillors have discussed possibilities for the current property. During Rogers Hometown hockey, a temporary ball hockey rink was set up on York Street and it was a popular attraction. Andrea Mueller, recreation program

coordinator, said she was approached by many residents who wanted it to be a permanent fixture.

During a council meeting, McKechnie said he would try to get support from local NHLers (past and present) including Matt Duchene, Cody Hodgson, Bernie Nicholls and Ron Stackhouse. Funds would also be raised by selling old ramps from the current park on Kijiji.

"I don't think anyone's against that," said Mayor Murray Fearrey, who told McKechnie he could "go to work."

The plywood rinks would include netting at each end to prevent balls going in the river. Advertising will be sold on the boards.

McKechnie said he would coordinate the project with Andrew Wilbee, parks and recreation manager.

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## Algonquin Highlands news

3 regular meeting. If bids were sought and a desirable bid fit the funds, the main pavilion could be built this year. Funding pledges already received would be relied upon to purchase picnic tables. Additional components such as the pathways, outhouse and garbage containers would be considered for the 2019 budget.

Council directed staff to develop a request for proposals. A decision will be made once council has reviewed the bids.

### Public input needed for Dorset library's future

The future of the Dorset branch of the Haliburton County Public Library (HCPL) will be opened up for public input this summer.

Located in the Dorset Recreation Centre, the branch doesn't meet provincial standards for regular operations. Algonquin Highlands has been considering ways to modify the branch space for more effective usage since the HCPL brought this forward at its board meeting in September.

Council recently requested a transition plan draft from staff and received it at the May 3 regular council meeting. The plan incorporated current considerations to turn the space into a book pickup and drop-off depot and a new location for the public-access computer program at the centre, which could be expanded in the new space. The plan would be posted at the branch for public information for three months and the new space would open within five months.

But, Mayor Carol Moffatt asked councillors to consider delaying action to allow seasonal residents to weigh in.

Councillors agreed and directed staff to consult with the library board and the

Dorset Recreation Committee to assist in determining next steps regarding the future use of the space and report back to council. Public consultation will occur after council has received the report.

### AH takes on rental property standards

The Ministry of Housing is downloading responsibility for maintaining rental unit property standards to municipalities, and Algonquin Highlands (AH) has chosen the route it will take to implement this.

Currently the ministry manages inspections regarding landlord and tenant disputes with respect to the maintenance of properties in municipalities that do not have a property standards bylaw, according to a staff report at council's May 3 regular meeting. That is being changed to require all municipalities to enforce property standards for rental units on or before July 1.

Staff noted AH already has a bylaw that applies to all properties requiring owners to keep them in a "clean and clear" manner, so it would not be necessary to create a property standards bylaw for all properties at this time. Instead, staff recommended the appointing of bylaw officers to enforce the current legislation of the Residential Tenancies Act with respect to rental units only. To begin with, the bylaw officers could be two existing building department staff.

Council agreed and directed staff to develop a bylaw to be tabled at a future meeting.

(AH briefs compiled by Lisa Harrison)

### Beech River bridge up for restoration

Following an unsuccessful bid last year, the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association (HCSA) is again applying for a grant to help restore the Beech River bridge to full capacity.

In a letter to Algonquin Highlands staff, the HCSA reported the club's trail committee has been working with engineers, bridge suppliers and contractors to determine "the most practical and economic approach" to restoring and reopening the bridge for commercial grooming as a snowmobile trail.

According to an engineer, the bridge is currently safe for hikers and has a load capacity for several snowmobiles, but the top five timber courses on both cribs need to be replaced.

The HCSA confirmed the project meets Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs' 2018 criteria for a grant, but the club would be required to contribute 15 per cent of the project cost, currently estimated at \$16,000.

Council agreed to the club's request to pledge \$8,000 to be used if the grant bid is successful.

### Picnic pavilion for Oxtongue Lake

After twice being denied government funding for a picnic pavilion at the Oxtongue Lake Community Centre, Algonquin Highlands council has decided to proceed with the project regardless and may do so this year.

There are some reserve funds available for the project, staff reported at the May

# Highlander business

## Future cooks and retailers celebrate their graduations

By Felix Wong

The graduation ceremony for the 2018 students of the Ready for Retail and Cook It Up programs launched by SIRCH Community Services was held last Monday at SIRCH Central. Ready for Retail was a 16-week pilot program made possible by a \$28,000 grant from the City of Kawartha Lakes. The course taught trainees the fundamentals of the retail industry, with a focus on customer service. Cook It Up is a program now in its fourth year that provides students with the skills needed to work in the food services industry. The course is practical as well, culminating this year in the preparation and serving of meals by trainees at Molly's Bistro Bakery in Minden. There were six graduates from each program this year.



Top: Sonya Paterson, a graduate of the Cook It Up program. Left: The sign outside the Ready for Retail and Cook It Up graduation ceremony held last Monday at SIRCH Central. Right: Shireen Cooper, left, a graduate of the Cook It Up program and Molly's Bistro Bakery. Photos by Felix Wong.

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# Highlander business

## Vargas family opens mega-sized food truck

By Mark Arike

It's been six months since Adrian and Wendy Vargas had their world turned upside down.

After four years of owning and operating Haliburton's Sears store, they were forced to liquidate and close in November. Theirs was one of 59 locations affected, after Sears Canada received court approval to shut them down.

"Liquidation was a very hard thing to deal with," said Adrian Vargas in an interview.

"We hit rock bottom."

They reached out to the community for business ideas and received many. In the winter, they decided to pursue a venture they always thought of: a food truck.

"We thought, this is something we think is going to work. And if worst comes to worst, we're taking the truck with us," he recalls.

With renewed hope and optimism, they decided to go for it. They purchased a new food trailer in Perth and developed the branding for Mega Munch. Local businesses La Luna Del Nordo and McFadden's Meat Market have been extremely supportive, connecting them with suppliers and providing meats.

Friends and family have rallied behind them. The couple's two sons, Alex, 14, and Matthew, 13, will help out.

Mega Munch Breakfast & Lunch is located in front of the former Sears building off Highway 118, just outside the village of Haliburton. An indoor seating area has been set up in the front end of the building. The business will open at 7 a.m. and be open five days a week. Some of the options on the menu include breakfast sandwiches, breakfast bowls, coffee, burgers and fries, and the family's homemade empanadas.

"It's [my father's] recipe, but Wendy has taken it and put her twist on it," says Adrian, with a gleam in his eye. "Everyone who's tried them ... they're amazing."

Their goal is to provide quality food and large portions at an affordable price.

"I want to be able to feed a family of four for under \$50," he says.



The Vargas family stands beside their new business venture, Mega Munch Breakfast & Lunch. From left, Wendy, Alex, Matthew and Adrian. *Photo by Felix Wong.*

Although they aren't downtown, the stretch of highway in front of them is very busy. Adrian says that traffic counts from the Ministry of Transportation indicate that 7,700 vehicles drive by them each day in the winter and that number grows to more than 8,000 in the summer.

The Vargas family is happy to stay in Haliburton and plans to continue to support Food for Kids, a student

nutrition program in the county. In previous years, they hosted a fundraiser barbecue for the initiative.

"We're very attached to the community," says Adrian. "We love this community, we always have."

The food truck's grand opening is today (May 17). For more details, visit their Facebook page at [facebook.com/4MegaMunch](http://facebook.com/4MegaMunch).

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# Highlander business



## Hands-on Try it Fair returns to Haliburton

By Felix Wong

An assortment of institutions as well as various independent creators and innovators in the county showcased their artwork, skills, products and projects at the Try It Fair, held at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School's athletic complex last Friday.

Organized by the Haliburton County Public Library and community partners, the Try It Fair stems from the 2005 birth of The Maker Movement, a do-it-yourself community that comprises of all sorts of independent designers, tinkerers and inventors. The first Maker Faire was launched in the United States in 2006, billed as a trade show that featured aspiring and professional inventors, tech enthusiasts, crafters and more. Inspired by The Maker Movement and the Maker Faire, Haliburton held its very own version of the convention at the high school last December, calling it The Try It Fair!

While last year's fair consisted of everything from body art to 3D printing, their most recent fair featured everything from spinning silk and cashmere to button making and promotion for live theatre at the 2018 Highlands Summer Festival.

Andrea Mueller and director Kate Butler staffed the Haliburton Highlands Museum's booth, showcasing a few tabletop games that required not electricity, but more than a bit of space on your table (some of the games took up a sizable chunk of wooden real estate) and above average hand-eye coordination. I spent some time at their booth playing Skittles, a game where you spin a wooden top using a thin white string and attempt to knock over as many pins as possible in a rectangular

open-top box.

"Sometimes we feel like we have to convince kids that there are games that don't require batteries or plug into the wall, but it's really interesting because something I've noticed is that all you have to do is put these games out and kids get a kick out of them," said Butler.

David Mills of the Haliburton and District Lions Club showed me a handheld refractor that was used to check the health of students' eyes, displaying either a "pass" or "refer" message, with the latter indicating that one should make a visit to the optometrist for further testing.

Randy Charter, the director/hatchery manager of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association, represented a booth on behalf of the community hatchery, which has been in business for 25 years. He was there to spread awareness about what the hatchery does, which is to help stock fish—specifically cold-water species such as trout—into lakes across Haliburton County and surrounding areas.

On May 24, the Ontario Ministry of Land and Resources will help the hatchery stock certain lakes by helicopter, reaching areas that the hatchery is unable to drive to. This year, the hatchery plans to stock approximately 32,000 fish into 24 lakes, said Charter.

There were roughly 20 different booths spread across the school gymnasium. According to the Haliburton County Public Library, there were over 200 people who attended the fair, if they were to count the number of people by the number of cupcakes sold throughout the afternoon.

"Who wouldn't have had a cupcake?" they added.

Top: Mike Mardus, left, and Randy Charter of the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association pose at their booth. Middle: Museum Director Kate Butler, left, and Andrea Mueller play a game of crokinole at the Haliburton Highlands Museum booth. Bottom: A button maker and an assortment of colourful markers at the DIY button making booth. Photos by Felix Wong.



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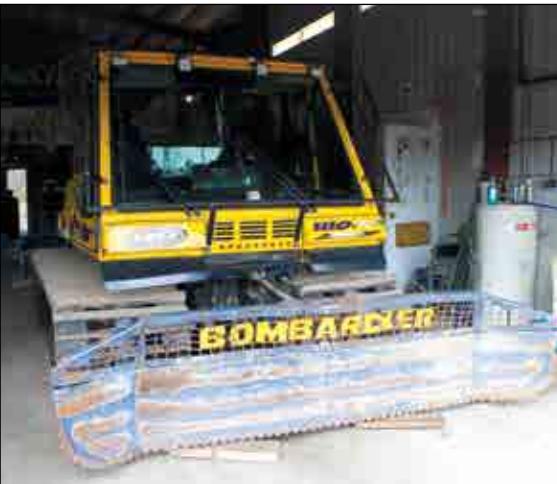
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# Highlander outdoors



Left: The president of the HCSA, Dave Lloyd, centre, speaks as Margo Ross, left, and Tom Nicholson look on. Middle: One of the many grooming fleets at the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association. Right: Dave and Carolyn Willson, new members of the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association. *Photos by Felix Wong*

## New funding model could hurt HCSA

By Felix Wong

When the snow doesn't flow, the money doesn't either. The Haliburton County Snowmobile Association held their annual meeting last Saturday at 171 Mallard Rd., expressing concern for the winter – and revenue – that wasn't, but also devising ways to adapt to a "new level of management."

"It's probably the worst winter we've ever seen, which really deflates not only the snowmobilers that want to stay in the sport; [but also] the business operators, the

community that relies on snowmobiling as their income in the wintertime," said HCSA vice president Greg Bowker.

According to Bowker, the snowmobiling association and snowmobiling in general have a huge economic impact on Haliburton County that a lot of people take for granted: "There are two industries in the winter – snowmobiling and forestry. Literally."

The club plans to have a new funding model in place for next year, called MOTS, which stands for More On the Snow. Bowker said they used to manage their own money from the Ontario Federation of

Snowmobile Clubs (OFSC), but now the money will be funnelled through a district, which manages several snowmobile clubs in the surrounding area.

He added that figuring out a way to adapt to this new model will be one of the primary goals this year: "The club has been strong and independent for many years... we've always stood on our own two feet whereas smaller clubs have had to rely on 'big brother,' so it will be a challenge to let go of the reins."

MOTS also means that funds from the OFSC trail permit sales across Ontario

will now be distributed among clubs with a longer winter season, said HCSA director John Enright. As the trail grooming machines are managed by the federation and placed where the most snow is, the clubs that do the most grooming will get the most funds. For example, some clubs in the south may end up with fewer funds than the HCSA, he adds.

This still means that an inconsistent winter will adversely affect the club's funding. Last winter, the HCSA was only able to groom 40 per cent of their target because of the poor weather, said Enright.

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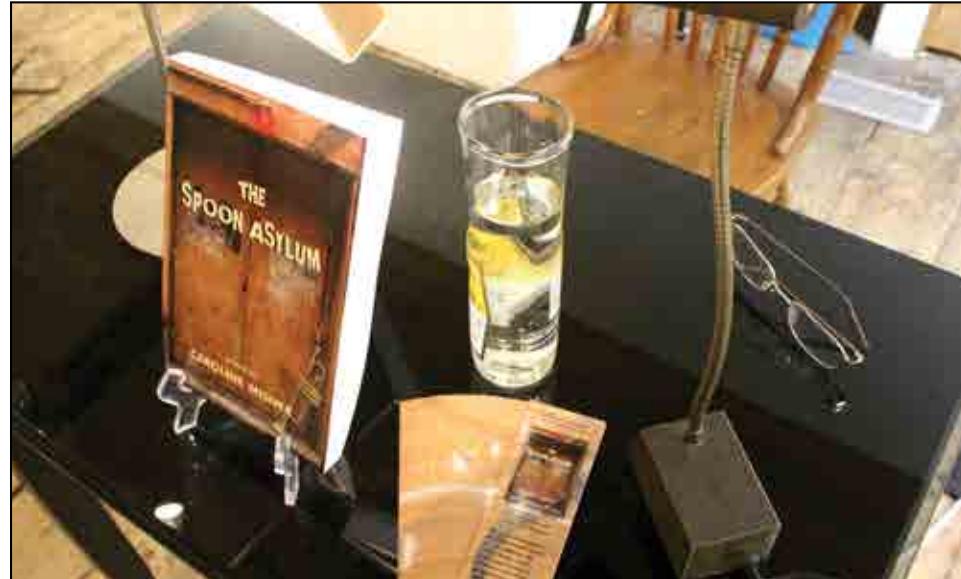
## Ducks dinner rakes it in for conservation efforts

A crowd of nearly 200 people opened their wallets to raise thousands of dollars at the 13th annual Ducks Unlimited dinner and auction. The sold-out event, held at Minden's community centre, featured raffles, and live and silent auctions with 71 locally-donated items.

"The night went well," said treasurer Mike Hamilton, who estimated the fundraiser netted "in the low \$20s (\$20,000)."

The money will support the conservation of wetlands throughout Ontario. Ducks Unlimited is a registered charity that has completed more than 9,720 projects in the last eight decades. (Mark Arike)

# Highlander arts



## County resident releases her newest novel

Felix Wong

A book launch was held last Saturday at the Rails End Gallery for local author Caroline Misner's new novel, *The Spoon Asylum*. The book is set in the 1930s and chronicles the journey of trumpeter Haven Cattrell as he befriends Wetherby Moss and his son Jude who introduce him to the strange but wonderful sound of jazz. The book launch kicked off with a meet and greet and some music from local cornet player Hugh Taylor, followed by the reading of an excerpt by the author and a Q&A session.

Misner is a new resident of Haliburton and a long-time cottager who has written six novels and published excerpts in various literary journals throughout the U.S., the U.K., and Canada. The *Spoon Asylum* is available for purchase via Amazon or at the Rails End Gallery.

Top: Caroline Misner reads a passage from her book, *The Spoon Asylum*.  
 Above: The *Spoon Asylum* and bookmarks are displayed on a stand at the book launch.  
 Photos by Felix Wong.

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## Haliburton Dance Academy shows sell out

The Haliburton Dance Academy (HDA) sold out all four of their shows for their 22nd annual dance recital last Friday and Saturday at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. The young dancers performed everything from jazz to hip-hop to ballet. The audience particularly enjoyed seeing the youngest dancers strut around the stage with owner/director Chyna Schell, who herself started dancing at the academy in 1996. The HDA's competition team 'The Company' also attended two competitions this spring, including Dance Canada in Blue Mountain, Collingwood and Shooting Stars in Port Hope. Both competitions were a major success, with the team coming away with a slew of gold medals at both. (Felix Wong)

Top: Dancers perform during the Haliburton Dance Academy's 22nd annual dance recital. Middle left: The energetic opening act. Middle right: Dancers shake their hips right down to the floor. Left: A dancer strikes a swan-like pose during a ballet piece. Photos by Felix Wong

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Top: Mr. Koslowski's Grade 3-4 class poses during their collaborative art activity. Right: Grade 5 student Nicholas Neville works in a habits digital workshop. Left: Daniel West, Carson Jones and Dinah Ogley outside the medieval castle. Photos by Lisa Gervais.

## Minden's ASES makes leadership a habit

By Lisa Gervais

Seated in front of a laptop in a classroom at Archie Stouffer Elementary School (ASES) in Minden last Friday, Grade 5 student Nicholas Neville explained he was trying to make a funny video using Kermit the Frog to teach students about leadership.

The class videos are played to the ASES student body on whiteboards as part of the continuing 'The Leader in Me' curriculum.

ASES held a school-wide leadership day for the community on May 11.

Nicholas says leadership "means a lot because it can help our community ... so everyone knows there's a lot of nice people out there and you should help them."

He does a Kermit impression and says, "hello kids, today we are learning about leadership."

Grade 5 teacher Kevin Buchanan explains the program

started last year and it's starting to make its way into the ASES school culture. He said it's a long-term proposition, instilling "principles we want to have as members of our community in the future."

He said students are assembling a common language around leadership and seven habits that contribute to it. Every year, staff takes it a bit deeper.

Are the kids practicing what they preach? he's asked. "They are. We're in mid-culture shift." He said the payoff will come when the kindergarten kids reach Grade 5, when it should be fully integrated.

Down the hall, in Mr. Koslowski's split Grade 3-4 class, students show off various artworks they have, or are creating, that reflect the habit of synergize. Classical music plays while students work on drawings they will then pass on to another student to continue. They have recreated van Gogh's Wheatfield with Cypresses, each contributing a small square. They've made an imaginary animal mural.

They are working on collaborative art and a jigsaw.

In yet another classroom, the students have made a medieval castle. Here they are making shields that represent leadership. Student Tory Byrnes says her split Grade 4-5 class is focusing on the seven habits, such as 'think win-win' that make leaders.

In the hallway, Trillium Lakelands District School Board trustee Gary Brohman says he's impressed with the manners and character he sees on display at the school, not to mention the student confidence levels.

"They're learning greatness through manners and character," he says.

The seven habits are: be proactive, begin with the end in mind, put first things first, think win-win, seek first to understand then to be understood, synergize and sharpen the saw.

The day included a kick-off assembly, club displays, classroom visits and feedback and closing.

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## Homeschoolers go to TIFF

By Anabelle Craig

On Saturday, May 12, the Haliburton County Homeschool Group had their very own movie in the TIFF Kids Jump Cuts Young Filmmaker Showcase.

The movie, shown in Toronto at the TIFF Bell Lightbox, had a great turn out. Titled *Ed and Ted*, it is about a snowman and his snow dog and their adventures. The movie was created as part of a Homeschool Animation class that took place over two, eight-week sessions at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

The shorts were screened over two days, with Friday for school groups and Saturday open to the public. Saturday played to a packed theatre and a few of the local homeschool kids and their families arrived on the red carpet.

Present was the young Minden voice actor for the snowman Ed, Lincoln Aleksander. He has since made many more animated shorts both at home and at the public library. He was excited to hear that Ed and Ted had made it to the big screen.

"I really enjoyed working on the movie. My least favourite part was when the snowman's head fell apart transporting it to the other shooting areas," Aleksander said.

Also present at the screening was Helen Williams who co-wrote and played the music in the movie's score. Williams was excited and surprised to hear that the movie had made it to the finals and she really

enjoyed the making of it, even with all the mishaps and weird weather.

"My favourite part of seeing [the movie] on the big screen was seeing everybody in the theatre watching it and hearing some of their reactions. It was a bit nerve-racking. My heart was beating so fast!" Williams said.

At the screening, awards were presented to movie makers in grades four to six and grades seven to eight.

To get the scoop on how short film award winners were chosen, the Highlander's representative talked to juror, actor, musician and teacher Josh Cruddas. Cruddas, who coincidentally was also homeschooled, said he has been an avid movie maker all his life. The jury consisted of four members and it took a month of watching, note-taking, re-watching and discussing to make the difficult choice of who would win the two awards.

"I like the shorts that are hard to make, have a good score, and are also a little funny," Cruddas said.

The fearless leader of the filmmaking homeschoolers was youth mentor, filmmaker and digital media master for 30 years Tammy Rea. Rea agreed to an interview after the screening to talk about her thoughts on having a movie that she co-directed in TIFF. Rea's advice for young aspiring filmmakers is, "don't stress about making it perfect, worry about making it done and having fun."



Left to right; Kip Kelly, Zaphod Cohrs, Vega Cohrs, Winston Ramsdale, Tristan Humphries, Violet Humphries, Sadie Kelly, Ewen O'Brien (in front), Lillian Ramsdale and Olivia Humphries. Submitted photo.

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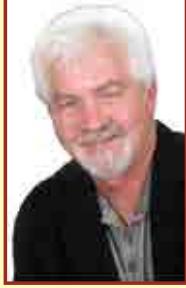
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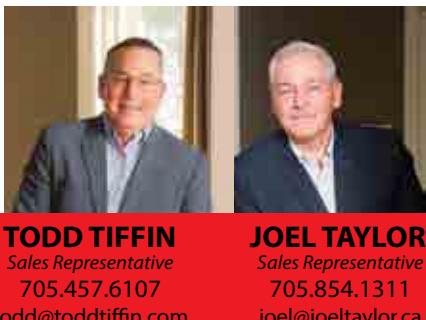
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# Highland Storm



## 2017-2018 Total Site Services LL Bantams Year-in-Review



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### A message from head coach Darryl Winder

The Total Site Services Bantam Local League season was fun and very successful. The team was focused, determined and very disciplined, which made them a pleasure to coach. It was very rewarding to watch many of these players improve and excel in skating, positioning and a hard work ethic by year's end.

The team finished the MPS season an astonishing 16-0. They then went on

to go undefeated in the MPS year-end tournament to become the first ever Highland Storm Local League MPS "A" Champions. There were many other highlights, including a semi-final berth in the World Classic 10 team tourney in Millbrook, Tournament A Finalists (loss in overtime) in Cobourg, and winning the A championship in the Glen Dart Memorial Tournament.

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their support during the season. A big thanks to our wonderful and dedicated parents who came and supported their kids all year and to my coaching staff who I really enjoyed working with, Greg Phippen, Jeff Martin, Scott Coles and James Raposo. I would also like to thank Kathy Martin for the news articles and Trish Phippen for her contributions managing the team.

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## 2017-2018 Peppermill/Dollo's Bantams Rep team Year-in-Review



Photo by Tim Tofflemire

### A message from the Bantam rep coaching staff

Looking back at the 2017-18 season, the things that jump out the most are how proud we, as a coaching staff, are of what the team accomplished, and how much fun we had watching these boys grow into really solid, hard working and determined young men.

Right from the beginning, the Pepper Mill Steak and Pasta House/Dollo's Foodland bantams overcame many obstacles. The originally-named head coach had to step away before tryouts and, fortunately for all of us, Andy MacMillan and Jamie Morton stepped up and led the way. Brad Robinson and Greg Turner joined as trainers and Jeff Mischio signed on as manager. Next came the addition of three young men from the Bancroft hockey association, that due to

low numbers in Bancroft, had nowhere to play hockey. Andy and Jamie happily opened their arms up to the boys and their families and the rest of the team welcomed them as brothers.

Although there were early season struggles with discipline and tough losses, the boys bought into the coaching staff philosophy of growing better each and every game, knowing that it didn't matter what results we had early on in the season. It only mattered what kind of hockey we were playing by Christmastime. They learned that discipline in the dressing room, in practice and on the ice in games, is a cornerstone of strong hockey teams. As we got closer to Christmas, the team really started to put together some strong hockey games. We didn't win every

one of them, but the boys showed a determination that grew stronger the closer we got to playoffs. All the while, they developed an on-ice maturity that showed that these weren't boys anymore, these were young men.

Perhaps the best evidence of this came in the first round of the playoffs. The team had drawn the Durham Crusaders as their first round opponent. The same team that had swept us in the regular season and won those games in convincing manner. Game one was a blowout loss at home. A lot of teams would have rolled over and quit after that but not our young men: they made a statement and beat Durham convincingly in game two, only to lose a heartbreaker in game three. The young men went down to Durham and gutted

out an overtime win in game four and with perhaps the best period of hockey in the season, beat Durham 7-5 with three unanswered goals in the third period of game seven. They carried the momentum all the way to the semifinals.

These young men showed how determination, perseverance and a belief in one another can really take you places nobody ever believed you would go. They grew into brothers in the dressing room, and into young men before our eyes. Each and every one of them contributed to the teams success in one way or another and we as a coaching staff couldn't be prouder of these young men. They are living proof that any success can be achieved if you are determined enough to stand up and be counted. Thanks for a great year, men.

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Township of Minden Hills  
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The Detailed Position Description can be obtained by contacting [sprentice@mindenhills.ca](mailto:sprentice@mindenhills.ca)

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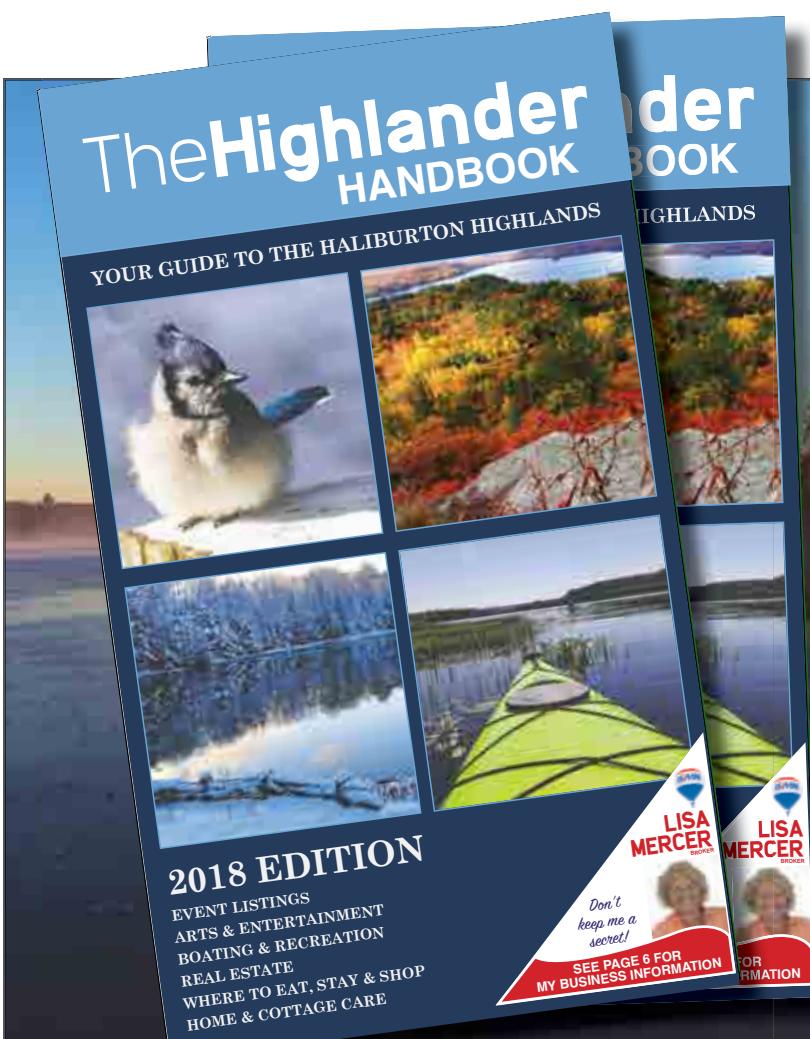
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## THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS IN SEASON. EVERY SEASON

### NOTICE OF A COMPLETE APPLICATION and PUBLIC MEETING and NOTICE OF OPEN HOUSE CONCERNING A PROPOSED OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT AND ZONING BY-LAW AMENDMENT

#### VACANT LAND AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF BOOTH & PRINCE STREET (PLOZA2018020)

TAKE NOTICE that the Township of Minden Hills has received a complete application to amend the Township's Official Plan & Zoning By-law. The site specific amendments apply to vacant land at the Southwest corner of Booth & Prince Street (see Key Map below).

**PURPOSE AND EFFECT:** The purpose of the application is to change the Official Plan designation of the property from the Residential designation to the Service and Business Area designation, and to change the Zoning of the Property from the Residential Type One (R1) Zone to a site specific Highway Commercial (C1-X) Zone. The effect of the application would accommodate a proposal for a Commercial/Light Industrial Laundry Facility. ww

**AND TAKE NOTICE** that the applicant will be hosting an Open House to give the public an informal opportunity to review and ask questions about the proposal. Any person may attend the Open House to discuss their comments and concerns with the applicant and municipal planning staff. Comments and concerns received as a result of the Open House will be considered in the preparation of a Planning Report for Council's information, and may result in modifications to the proposal.

**AND TAKE NOTICE** that Council for The Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills will be holding as required under the Planning Act. The Public Meeting is an opportunity for Council to hear and consider comments related to the proposed amendments. Any member of the public may speak in favour, or opposition to, the proposed amendments during the Public Meeting.

#### DATE AND LOCATION OF OPEN HOUSE

Date: Thursday, May 24, 2018  
Time: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm  
Location: Minden Cultural Centre  
176 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden, ON

#### DATE AND LOCATION OF PUBLIC MEETING

Date: Thursday, June 14, 2018  
Time: 9:00 am  
Location: Municipal Council Chambers  
7 Milne St., Minden, ON

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** regarding the proposed amendment is available to the public for inspection at the Township of Minden Hills Municipal Office located at 7 Milne Street on Monday to Friday, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or by calling Mr. Ian Clendening at 705-286-1260 (ext.206)

**ANY PERSON** may attend the public meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments.

**IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY** does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the official plan amendment is adopted or the by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills to the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal.

**IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY** does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Council for the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills before the official plan amendment is adopted or the by-law is passed, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal unless, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

**IF YOU WISH TO BE NOTIFIED OF THE DECISION** of the Township of Minden Hills in respect to the proposed official plan amendment and/or zoning by-law amendment, you must submit a written request to the Township of Minden Hills. For more information about this matter, including information about preserving your appeal rights, contact the undersigned at [iclendening@mindenhill.ca](mailto:iclendening@mindenhill.ca)

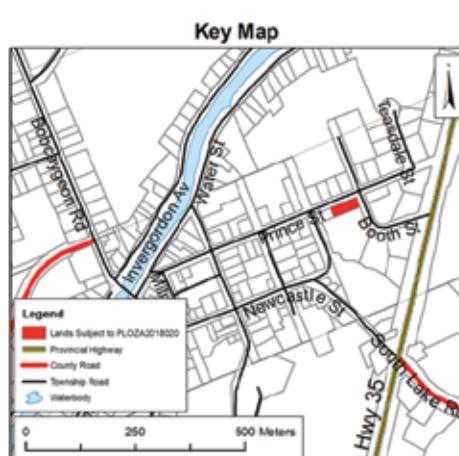
**RELATED APPLICATIONS:** Site Plan Control Approval will be required to facilitate the proposed development. No application has been received to date.

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We cannot guarantee the exact time the application will be considered by Council as the time varies depending on the number of items on the agenda and the complexity of each application brought forward.

**DATED** this 17th day of May, 2018  
Ian Clendening, Planner  
7 Milne Street, P.O. Box 359  
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## THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS IN SEASON. EVERY SEASON

### COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT - NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING APPLICATION FOR MINOR VARIANCE

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Committee of Adjustment of the Township of Minden Hills will hold a Public Hearing on:

**DATE:** Monday, May 28, 2018  
**TIME:** 9:30 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** Municipal Council Chambers  
7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario.

to consider minor variance applications **PLMV2018019**, **PLMV2018021**, and **PLMV2018022**. The purpose of the Public Hearing will be to consider the proposed Minor Variances to the Township of Minden Hills Zoning By-law pursuant to Section 45

**PLMV2018019** - Lot 1 of Plan 627, Geographic Township of Anson; municipally known as 3 Windover Drive (see Key Map). Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the construction of a new dwelling within the required front and rear yard setbacks. The variance sought would allow for a 6.5m. (21'4") setback from the front lot line and a 6m. (19'8") from the rear lot line whereas 7.5m. (24'7") are otherwise required.



**PLMV2018021** - Part of Lot 15, Concession 14, Geographic Township of Snowdon; municipally known as 1027 Sisters Lane; and located on Burnt River (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit the replacement of the existing 93.6 m<sup>2</sup> (1,008sq.ft.) dwelling with a new 134.7 m<sup>2</sup> (1,450sq.ft.) dwelling, which is to be set back an additional 0.6m. (2') with a reconfigured deck across the front of the new dwelling maintaining its existing setback. As a result of the development, the dwelling and deck would be situated 18.9m. (62') and 16.2m. (53') from the High Water Mark.



**PLMV2018022** - Part of Lot 23, Concession 12, Geographic Township of Lutterworth; municipally known as 1168 Hull Lane; and located on Devils Lake (see Key Map).

Purpose and Effect of the Application: To permit a 14.9 m<sup>2</sup> (160sq.ft.) addition to the existing 29.7 m<sup>2</sup> (320sq.ft.) dwelling which is situated 4.3m. (14') from the High Water Mark. As a result of the development, the new addition would be situated 3m. (10') from the High Water Mark, an encroachment of 1.2m. (4').



**HAVE YOUR SAY:** Input on the above noted applications is welcome and encouraged. You can provide input by speaking at the public meeting or by making a written submission to the Township. If you do not attend the public meeting, it may proceed in your absence and, except as otherwise provided in The Planning Act, you will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceedings.

**WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS:** To provide input in writing, or to request written notice of the decision, please contact the undersigned or e-mail [iclendening@mindenhill.ca](mailto:iclendening@mindenhill.ca). If you do not make a written submission prior to a decision, nor make an oral submission at the Public Hearing, and subsequently submit an appeal of the decision, the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal may dismiss the appeal.

**MORE INFORMATION:** Additional information regarding these applications will be available for public inspection until noon on the day of the hearing at the Township of Minden Hills Building and Planning Department during normal office hours, and online at [www.mindenhill.ca](http://www.mindenhill.ca).

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*For more information about this matter contact [iclendening@mindenhill.ca](mailto:iclendening@mindenhill.ca).*

**Dated** this 17th day of May, 2018.

Ian Clendening, MPL, ACST  
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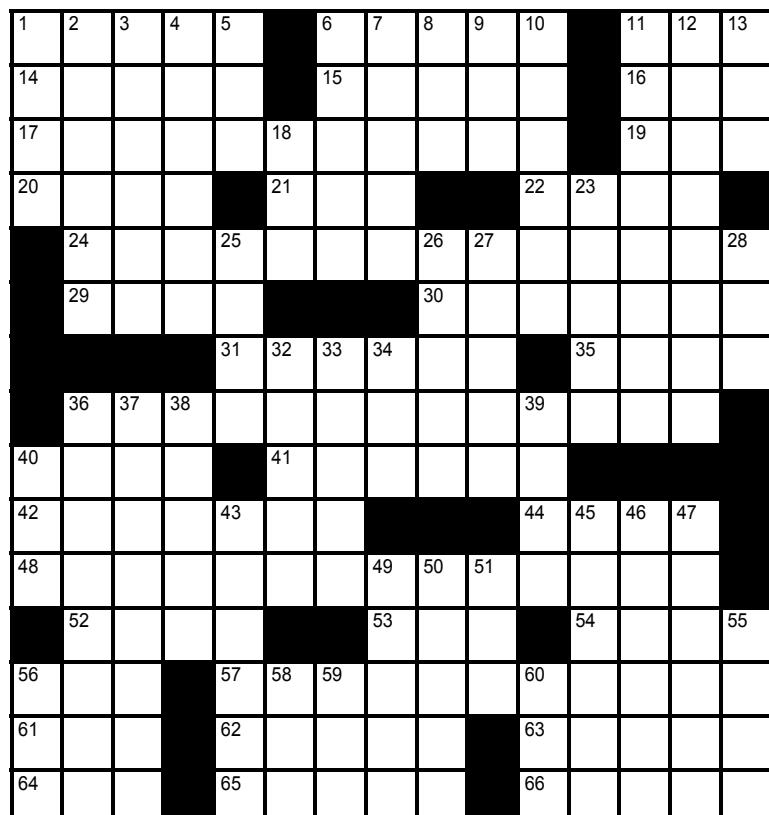
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- 14 "Gosh darn!"
- 15 Lash \_\_\_\_ (attack)
- 16 Take illicit drugs
- 17 Actor voted "The Greatest Living Scot," he was "People" Magazine's "Sexiest Man Alive," 1989
- 19 P-shaped Greek letter
- 20 Etta \_\_\_\_ (old comic strip heroine)
- 21 "Lethal Weapon" lethal weapon
- 22 It might be busted at a nightclub
- 24 Twin brothers who sing the lyrics "I will walk five hundred miles ..."
- 29 Scandal-ridden writer Marquis de \_\_\_\_
- 30 Peek-a-boo player's words
- 31 Down or out
- 35 Head to the penthouse
- 36 Former racecar driver known as "the flying Scot"
- 40 Headlight?
- 41 Noted tax evader Al
- 42 Hemmed but didn't haw, say
- 44 Prefix with -dextrous
- 48 Nicknamed "the old chieftain," he's considered "the Father of Canada"
- 52 Pal of Sporty, Scary, Baby and Ginger
- 53 Gmail rival
- 54 Ship-related: Abbr.
- 56 "Kill Bill" actress Lucy
- 57 Dubbed "Scotland's favourite son," he penned the words to "Auld Lang Syne"
- 61 Test ordered by a neurologist, for short
- 62 "\_\_\_\_ and his money are soon parted"
- 63 Rogers \_\_\_, home of the Canucks
- 64 Add-on meaning "or so"
- 65 In a rush
- 66 "Give me a straight answer, \_\_\_\_no"

**Down**

- 1 Brad Wall's prov.
- 2 Twitter posts
- 3 Christie of mystery
- 4 Put down stakes?
- 5 Brief time
- 6 Big-nosed, bug-eyed Muppet
- 7 Like Old Norse inscriptions
- 8 Put away, in a way
- 9 Piece of music?
- 10 Completely confound
- 11 Measurer of property lines
- 12 Show to the door
- 13 New, at the beginning
- 18 Anthem's third word
- 23 Horseshoe-shaped Greek letter
- 25 Tiptop
- 26 Deceive verbally
- 27 "Dumb & Dumber" Colorado destination
- 28 Dine at dusk
- 32 "Attack, Cujo!"
- 33 "You can \_\_\_\_ horse to water ..."
- 34 Mind reader's claim, in brief
- 36 Rickety rides
- 37 "However, ..."
- 38 "Fargo" creators Ethan and Joel
- 39 Get off the bottle
- 40 Trek to Mecca
- 43 Filled with the old team spirit
- 45 It's dropped at a horse race
- 46 Plays loudly, as a stereo
- 47 "Don't ask me"
- 49 Strait between Newfoundland and Nova Scotia
- 50 Lace mat in a parlour, perhaps
- 51 Flamenco dancer's cry
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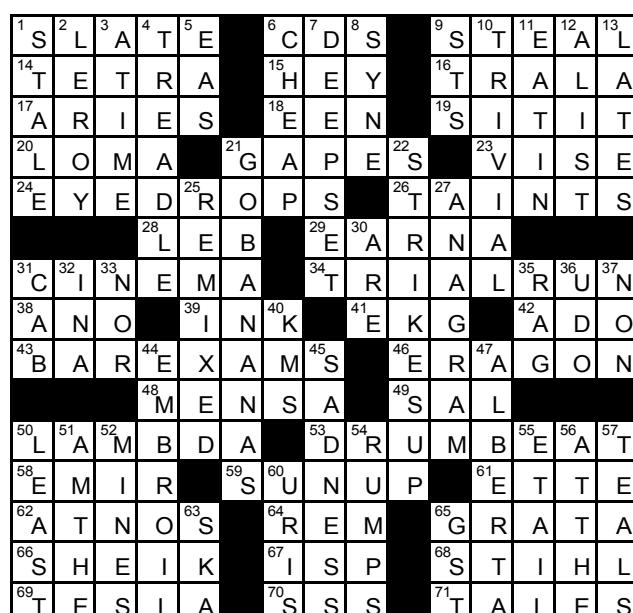
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# Highlander events



## Camera Club opens aperture on next meeting

The Haliburton Highlands Camera Club's latest assigned topic was night photography. For the pictorial category, members could submit any images they had taken. The winning images were: 1st Advanced: "The Old Cowboy" by Fred Pyziak, 1st Intermediate: "Killdeer" by Larry Murphy and 1st Novice: "Fence" by Julie Jones. The club meets the third Wednesday of every month, alternating between Minden and Haliburton. There is no charge for attendance and everyone is welcome. See the website at [highlandscameraclub.ca](http://highlandscameraclub.ca) for details.

# Highlander events



## Local cast presents a night of comedic theatre

By Felix Wong

An evening of comedic theatre was held at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion last Friday as the Highlands Little Theatre performed Iron River Gas Bar and Cabins, a play written and directed by Jim Love. The show drew a nearly packed house and featured performances from Kate Butler, David Mills, David Zilstra and others. Butler not only starred in the comedy but also sang a song as part of the play. There were also other performances by musicians before and throughout the show, with one guitarist performing the jazz standard "Georgia on My Mind" on an acoustic guitar.

Top right: An expressive monologue is delivered in the middle of the play. Top left: Two actors look to see what the fuss is all about on the other end of the stage. Bottom left: A singer scrubs the table while the mechanic pouts. Bottom right: Another comedic exchange between actors by the doorway. *Photos by Felix Wong.*

# Highlander events



## Health care volunteers honoured at ceremony

Volunteers in the local health care sector were recently recognized for their commitment to improving the lives of others. A dozen Ontario Volunteer Service Awards were handed out at the Haliburton hospital on May 4 by Haliburton Highlands Health Services' staff and MPP Laurie Scott. There were 30 recipients but not all were in attendance. Each recipient received a pin, certificate and scroll. The full list includes: Rose Connaughan, Mary Hambly, Irene Houtby, Jane Jaycock,

Wendy Vermeersch, Lorraine Virgin, Gordon and Patricia Bird, Edward Hussel, Allan Kwasniewski, Michelle Moore, Rolf Steffensen, John Kay, Richard Allman, Michael Bachynski, Barbara Bohlin, Marilyn Frost, Ronald Lofthouse, Brian and Cristina Barry, David Bathe, William Gliddon, John Miller, Glenda Burk, Barbara Messner, Leslie Schell, Diane Stinson, Judith McNeilage, Patricia Woodcroft, Judith Davis and Marie Pentesco. (Mark Arike)



Top: Some of the recipients of Ontario Volunteer Service Awards. Above: MPP Laurie Scott, centre with HHHS CEO Carolyn Plumber, left, and organizer Brigitte Gebauer. Photos by Mark Arike.



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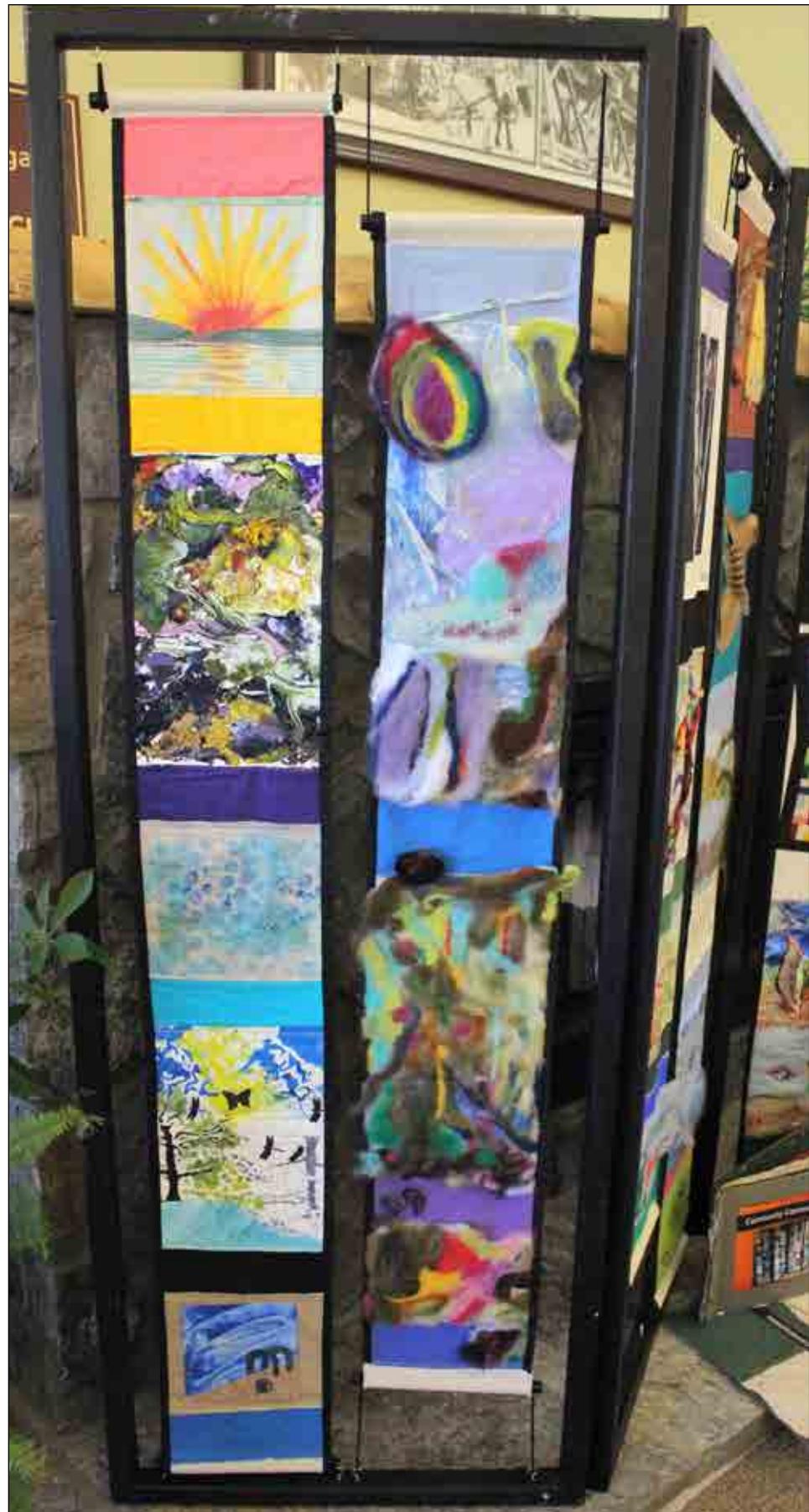
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## Tapestry on display at Haliburton library

Visible Voices, Haliburton Highlands Health Services and various community volunteers came together last year to create an art project in the form of a multi-media hanging tapestry. The finished product, a beautiful collection of

experiences and life stories told through each contributing artist's creation, is now available for viewing in front of the fireplace at the Haliburton County Public Library until June 11. (Felix Wong)

A close look at one of the panes on the tapestry. The multi-media hanging tapestry created by Visible Voices, Haliburton Highlands Health Services and various community volunteers. Photo by Felix Wong.

# Highlander events



## An afternoon of Tchaikovsky, Ellington and more

The Highlands Wind Symphony performed everything from music from Anne of Green Gables to variations on "Scarborough Fair" at their 19th annual spring concert last Sunday. The 37-piece orchestra, conducted by Glen Carter, Lorie Reddering and Dan Manley, performed at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. The concert also featured a performance by the Highlands

Swing Band, conducted by Judy Cole, which performed four selections including the classic Duke Ellington jazz standard "Mood Indigo" and the famous 1927 Jerome Kern tune "Can't Help Lovin' Dat Man." The Highlands Wind Symphony dedicated the concert to their friend Earl Cooper, who died in March. (By Felix Wong)

Top: The orchestra performs a spirited rendition of variations on Scarborough Fair. Above: Flautists from the Highlands Wind Symphony perform as part of their 19th annual spring concert. Photos by Felix Wong.



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# Highlander events

## Red Wolves' raise \$5,700

The Haliburton County Red Wolves were able to raise approximately \$5,700 at last Saturday's fundraiser dinner and dance. The event was held at the Haliburton Legion and featured an auction, dinner, dance and live music performed by the Recycled Teenagers. The money raised will be used to fund the programs provided for the 35 registered athletes in Special Olympics Haliburton County.

The club has raised enough to send five bowlers and two coaches to P.E.I. next week for the National Games. The special athletes will also be participating in several other sports starting in June, including softball, golf and shuffleboard. Their annual Torch Run is scheduled for July 7 in partnership with the Haliburton Highlands OPP. (By Felix Wong)



Top right: A few guests at the fundraiser wait for dinner to be served. Bottom left: Tim Negus, police officer by day, emcee by night! Bottom right: special athlete Jason Kitchener awaits the start of the fundraiser. Photos by Felix Wong.

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Left: Dione Taylor belts out a soulful tune. Right: Emcee Kris Kadwell kicks off the performances of the evening. Photos by Felix Wong.

## The queen, the president, and now the people of Haliburton

By Felix Wong

As emcee Kris Kadwell put it last Saturday night, gospel and blues singer Dione Taylor has performed for the Queen, a former president of the United

States, and now the people of Haliburton County. Taylor and the Backsliderz had the crowd tapping their feet and clapping along as she performed an eclectic mix of folk, blues, jazz, gospel and R & B at the

Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. She performed with her four-piece band as part of the Haliburton County Folk Society's Concert Series, singing tunes such as her own composition, "Tennessee

Waltz," and a rousing rendition of Stevie Wonder's "Higher Ground." A three-piece folk trio, Chadmire and Taylor, consisting of a cornet player, singer/guitarist, and hand percussionist, opened for Taylor.



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Top left: Tea time. Top right: Kim Stamp bids for an item. Above left: Jane Jaycock sets up. Above right: The basket raffle. Submitted photos.

## Geranium tea and loonie auction raise \$4,000

The Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary held its annual geranium tea and loonie auction May 6. The event, at the Haliburton Curling Club, raised just over \$4,000. Spokeswoman Tracey Lear said 115 people attended and the money will go towards purchasing capital equipment for the Haliburton Hospital. Submitted photo. (Lisa Gervais)

# What's on

## Family fun awaits at the Haliburton fish hatchery

By Mark Arike

It's shaping up to be a busy couple of days at the Haliburton fish hatchery this week with live entertainment and fun for the whole family.

This evening (May 17), musician James Boraski will perform acoustic roots, ballads and blues. The Thunder Bay resident, who frequented the Highlands to go fishing with his father, also happens to be the rehabilitation manager for the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association's Gould's Creek rehabilitation project. One of its goals is to take native brook trout from the stream and restock the lower reaches, where there haven't been any for several years.

Six years ago, Boraski immersed himself in music after retiring from his job as a district manager for Fisheries and Oceans Canada. Along with his band, Momentary Evolution, Boraski has played numerous festivals, theatres and concert halls.

"I've made music my full-time occupation, if you will," he told The Highlander. "I've been fortunate to win a couple of competitions and I had the opportunity to perform in Memphis, Tenn. on a world stage as part of the International Blues Challenge with 250 acts from around the world."

He was also inducted into the American Heritage Blues Hall of Fame.

The solo show goes from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 at the door. Proceeds support the HHOA's operations and the event will promote the release of the butterflies event in July.

Two days later, on Saturday, the annual Family Fun Day will feature something for everyone. Attractions include a birds of prey show by the Canadian Raptor Conservancy, minnow races, a bouncy castle, face painting and deep-fried treats.

One of the objectives is to educate children about the hatchery and fishing.

"We're huge supporters of youth here," said HHOA vice-president Rusty Rustenburg. "We're from a low-income area and not everyone can afford hockey or figure skating. We want to offer alternatives."

The HHOA gives children under 18 the chance to try activities such as archery and fly tying for free. In the near future, a mobile classroom will go around the county to teach kids about the natural environment.

An average of 600-700 people attend Family Fun Day each year, said Rustenburg. Last year's event celebrated Canada's 150th anniversary.

The event starts at 10 a.m. and goes until 4 p.m. Admission is \$10 at the gate for adults and \$5 for children.

To learn more about the HHOA, visit [hhoa.on.ca](http://hhoa.on.ca).



Mike Boraski, songwriter and musician, will put on a show at the fish hatchery this evening. *Photo submitted.*

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10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Minden Farmer's Market, opening day! Beside the Minden Hills Township office. Every Saturday until October 6th.

10 a.m. – 4 p.m. – HHOA Family Fun Day, at the Fish Hatchery, 6712 Gelert Rd., Haliburton. Fishing pond, minnow races, bouncy castle, wildlife shows and more! Free parking at the high school, with shuttle buses every ½ hour starting at 9:45 a.m. Admission: Age 14+ \$10, Kids 3-13 yrs \$5 + book of activity tickets, 3 and under Free + book of activity tickets. BBQ lunch available for purchase.

11:30 a.m. – Haliburton & District Lions Club Dog Guides fundraiser Walk for Dog Guides, Haliburton United Church parking lot, Registration at 11:30 a.m.

followed by short walk to town at noon. Pledge forms available at PetValu in Haliburton and from Lion Kathryn 705-754-0939.

2 – 7 p.m. – Coboconk Legion BBQ, \$500 elimination draw and win an ATV draw, plus Karaoke with John & Gail.

### Sunday May 20

11 a.m. – Miskwabi Area Community Association will be holding its annual road clean-up and BBQ. Meet at Strickland Boat Launch, on Trappers Trail. BBQ follows the clean-up.

### Tuesday May 22

Noon – 4 p.m. – Haliburton Farmer's Market, in Head Lake Park every Tuesday until Oct. 2.

### Wednesday May 23

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – HKPR Sexual Health Clinic, providing confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. For more info or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577 ext 2205

### Thursday May 24

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Social Recreation Program for Seniors, free drop-in program, Wilberforce Legion branch #624. Join us for coffee, colouring, tech-time, board games, card games, crafts, pool, cribbage, conversation, and more. 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month.

### Friday May 25

11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. – Coboconk Legion Pork Loin & Onions, \$9, followed by Country Music Jam from 1 – 4. Open Mic and local talent. Food bank donations appreciated. 705-454-8127 for more info.

### Saturday May 26

9 a.m. – noon – Norland Horticultural Centre Society annual plant / bake sale & silent auction, at the Pioneer Baptist Church, 7553 Hwy 35 Norland. All are welcome!

10 a.m. – Noon – Minden & District Horticultural Society Plant Sale, at the Village Green, downtown Minden. Join us for great deals on many varieties of locally grown plants.

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Minden Farmer's Market, opening day! Beside the Minden Hills Township office. Every Saturday until October 6th.

2 – 4 p.m. – 4th annual Minden Animal Hospital Customer Appreciation Day! Join us for refreshments, cake, displays and tours of the hospital.

7 – 9 p.m. – Exploring the Lives of Bats, presented by the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust. Join us at the Minden Cultural Centre for a fun and informative presentation on bats. Presenter Brock Fenton, Emeritus Professor of Biology has been studying bats since 1969. Admission by donation.

7:30 p.m. – Highlands Chamber Orchestra presents Passages, at Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Tickets \$15/\$20, available at Cranberry Cottage and Minden Pharmasave.

### Sunday May 27

2:30 p.m. – Haliburton Concert Series: MitBravour Piano Trio. For more info go to haliburtoncs.blogspot.ca, or call Fred at 705-455-9060.

### Monday May 28

7 – 9 p.m. – All Candidates Meeting, at Pinenstone Resort. Ahead of the 2018 provincial

election, hear from the candidates for MPP in Haliburton Kawartha Lakes Brock. Event is free and open to the public.

### Tuesday May 29

Noon – 4 p.m. – Haliburton Farmer's Market, in Head Lake Park every Tuesday until Oct. 2.

### Wednesday May 30

6 – 8 p.m. – Need to Know education series presents "Simple & affordable ways to eat healthy, feel great and live a healthy life", at Haliburton United Church. Register in advance, 705-457-2941 x2922 or nbrownsberger@hhhs.ca.

### Saturday June 2

10 a.m. – Haliburton County Master Gardeners Plant Sale, at the Village Green, downtown Minden. Entrance #s available 9:00 a.m. www.haliburtonmastergardener.ca Open 10 a.m. until sold out.

### Saturday June 2

10 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Minden Farmer's Market, opening day! Beside the Minden Hills Township office. Every Saturday until October 6th.

### Sunday June 3

1 p.m. – Grannies Tea, at the Stanhope Community Centre on North Shore Rd. Doors open at 1 p.m. tea begins at 1:30 p.m. Loonie auction, granny creations marketplace, herbs from Abbey Gardens. Join the Haliburton Highlands Grannies, in support of the Stephen Lewis Foundation. For tickets call Jacqui at 705-754-9851 or Gayle at 705-286-3411.

### Tuesday June 4

Noon – 4 p.m. – Haliburton Farmer's Market, in Head Lake Park every Tuesday until Oct. 2.

## ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS

### HALIBURTON BRANCH

Monday bridge 1 p.m. Tuesday fun darts starting at 7 p.m. Wednesday bid euchre 1 p.m. start, bingo doors open at 6 p.m., bingo starts at 7 p.m. – \$500 jackpot, \$1000 jackpot - last Wednesday of the month.

Thursday general meeting third Thursday of the month starting at 7 p.m. All members urged to attend. Ladies auxiliary last Thursday of the month at 1 p.m.

Friday meat draw - five draws, five prizes each draw, first draw at 4:30 p.m., last draw at 6:30 p.m., tickets \$2 per draw Chester Howse, MC.

Friday cribbage 1 p.m. start and fun darts - 4:30 p.m. onwards

Saturday 50/50 4 p.m. draw, tickets \$1 each from noon onwards

Sunday breakfast second and fourth Sunday of the month – 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. \$6 per person. Occasional volunteers are needed.

### MINDEN BRANCH

Monday-every second week rug hooking; Tuesday, seniors art classes 10 a.m., bid euchre 1 p.m.; Wednesday, meat draw noon; Thursday, mixed darts and euchre 7 p.m.; Friday 7 p.m. mixed darts; Saturday, meat draw 1 p.m.; Sunday, sports day noon. Lunches every Mon.-Fri, with Friday featuring fish and chips and chicken wings also served 5-7 p.m. Take-out available. Everyone welcome.

### WILBERFORCE BRANCH

May 4 Ham & Scalloped dinner 5 - 7 p.m. May 5 Meat draw 2 p.m. - Early bird 3 p.m. sharp

May 7 Bid euchre 7 p.m. Beginners welcome

May 8 General meeting 7 p.m. Election night. All support welcome

May 9 Fun darts 7:30 p.m. Everyone welcome

May 10 Community care seniors program 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Upcoming events:

May 13 Mother's Day L.A. breakfast 9 a.m. - noon

May 19 Lou Moody Rainbow trout fishing derby

May 20 Mac Hughes Horseshoe tournament

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**Hunter Creek Estates - \$125,000**

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**Maple Lake - \$489,500**

Welcome to your new home! Sitting across the road from Maple Lake, part of a 3-lake chain, this home is spacious and well appointed. 3 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, soaring cathedral ceilings, skylights, rec room, the list goes on. Room for the whole family. You cannot beat the location! Sandy waterfront, a waterfront deck and shed – swim, boat or just enjoy the view!

**100 Acre Waterfront Parcel - \$485,000**

Unbelievable acreage with 1,350 feet of frontage on beautiful Bob Lake. Complete privacy, gorgeous shoreline and excellent boating and swimming. The property has a long winding driveway from the road down to the waterfront and the property has a large level area near the water for building. This is the property you have been waiting for!

**Two Leasing Opportunities**

**HWY. 35** – Highway exposure in a popular plaza with loads of parking. Over 2,140 ft. of Office or Retail space. Currently configured with 6 offices, a common room, elegant main entrance and more. Make it suit your business!

**LEASE SPACE** – will build to suit! Don't need a Main Street location? This might be perfect for you. Large building – lease the whole building OR have a space created within the building to suit your needs. 800sq. ft. minimum requirement. Loads of parking, wheelchair access and easy main road access and visibility. \$1.00 per sq. ft. monthly plus CAM fees.

**Moore Lake - \$589,500**

**Big Lake View**  
This 4 bdrm., 2 bath Home or Cottage will surprise you. It offers everything you need for waterfront living. 193 feet of excellent shoreline with Southern exposure on a 3-lake chain. The lot has loads of level space for entertaining and fun. A huge Quonset hut holds all the toys and provides a great workshop area. Beautiful perennial gardens and landscaping, a wrap-around deck, fabulous sunroom and best for last – a gorgeous kitchen!

**Commercial – Main Street - \$299,000**

Get in on the growth of The Highlands and snap this one up! Options are available with approx. 5,000 sq. ft. – two storefronts on Main Street. Buy and lease out or use one half for your own business and lease the other half. Last use was a popular restaurant with seating for over 100 people on one side and retail space on the other. Excellent additional parking at back of building. Be part of the scenic Minden downtown.

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- 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Custom Built Home
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- Full Walkout Foundation
- Oversized Double Attached Garage
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- 3 Bedroom, 2+2 Bathroom, 2194 Sq Ft Custom Built Brick Home
- 195 Ft Clean Shoreline, Limestone Walkways, Docking System
- Double Attached Insulated Garage with Basement Access
- Granite Countertops, Jacuzzi Tub, Marble Finished Fireplace
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**\$699,000 IDEAL GETAWAY**



- 3 Bedroom Cottage with Lots Of Wood Finishings, Cathedral Ceiling
- Over 200 Feet on Little Kennisis Lake, Sits Close to Waters Edge
- Separate Guest Quarters with 2 Bedroom, 1 Bath
- Lots of Storage Areas, Workshop, Garage with Roof Extension
- Extensive Dock with Docking System Attached

**\$599,900 SHERWOOD FOREST BEAUTY**



- 3 Bedroom Year Round Home/Cottage on Lake Chain
- Level Lot, Sand Shoreline, Sunset Views
- Large Basement with Endless Possibilities, 2 Water Systems
- Bunkie, Storage Shed, Single Garage, Boat Storage
- Comes Furnished and Ready to Enjoy

**\$575,000 INCREDIBLE SUNSETS**



- 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Year Round Home/Cottage
- On 3 Lake Chain, Great for Fishing, Deep Clean Water
- West Exposure, Sunsets, Extensive Docking
- Oversized Drive-Thru Double Detached Garage with Loft
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**\$399,900 KASH LANDING**



- Live and Work in One Convenient Location
- 2 Bedroom Apartment Above with Separate Entrance
- Clientele From Car, Boat and Snowmobile
- Stunning Lake Views, Deck, Dock
- Endless Possibilities To Start Your Own Business

**\$339,900 CUSTOM BUILT HOME**



- Custom Built 3+ Bedroom, 2 Full Bathroom,
- Large Covered Veranda, Rear Deck off Kitchen
- Separate Lower Level Entrance to Studio/Den
- 2.5 Car Detached Garage, Ample Parking, Landscaped
- 2000 Sq Ft of Living Space on 2 Levels, Shows to Perfection!!

**\$299,900 SCREEN PORCH VIEW**



- 3 Bedroom Year Round Home on 2.7 Acres
- 173 Ft Frontage in Quiet Private Sandy Bay
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- Close to Golfing and Shopping
- Finish to Suit Your Personal Taste

**\$174,900 TERRIFIC HOME**



- 3 Bedroom Home Close to The Heart of Wilberforce
- Great Starter/Retirement Home or Rental Investment
- Well Maintained Home, Level Lot, Large Yard
- Workshop Area, Loads of Storage in Walk Out Basement
- Short Walk to Trail and Lake Access, Shopping, Arena

**WATERFRONT LOTS**

\$265,000 - Growler Lake, 633 Ft Fr, 2.93 Ac

\$224,900 - Gull Lake, 475 Ft Fr, 1.43 Ac

**VACANT LOTS**

\$74,900 - Bobcaygeon Road, Commercially Zoned

\$69,900 - Harmony Road, 2.33 Ac, Ready to Build

\$64,900 - North St., 1.14 Ac, Haliburton Village

\$49,900 - Peterson Rd, 0.617 Ac, Overlooks

Lt. Boshkung Lake

\$36,500 - Barry Line, 1.03 Ac, Close to Beach,

Golf Course

\$29,900 - Irish Line, 0.57 Ac, Level, Site Cleared



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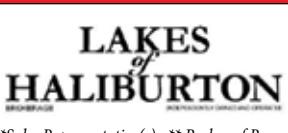
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Minden Hills Little Lake - 45'+ deep, 1000' of spring fed shoreline. 197 acres in ultimate privacy w/several great camping spots. Access is along a rugged twp. road allowance, 4WD or ATV only. Two hours of the GTA & 15 minutes to Norland/Minden.